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Police to investigate the Shin Bet affair

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The cabinet last week voted 14-11 to reject the creation of a judicial commission of inquiry to investigate the Shin Bet affair. As a result, Attorney-General Yosef Harish will proceed with a police investigation. The cabinet officially took note of his intention.

The two main components of the unity government, Labor and Likud, were deadlocked 10-10 on the issue. Communications Minister Amnon Rubinstein, of the Shinui Party, voted with Labor in favor of a commission. The three religious ministers, Yosef Burg, Yitzhak Peretz and Avraham Shapira, sided with Likud against a judicial inquiry.

Although Harish had spelled out reasons why a judicial commission was, from the government's point of view, preferable to a police probe, right-wing Knesset members congratulated the cabinet decision. Left-wingers lambasted it.

The investigation involves allegations that Avraham Shalom as head of the Shin Bet, Israel's internal security service, and three of his top aides were criminally implicated in the unexplained deaths of two Arab bus hijackers in custody of security agents in April, 1984, and engaged in elaborate coverups at two subsequent quasi-judicial inquiries.

Former attorney general Yitzhak Zamir ordered a police investigation of the case but the order was rescinded by Harish, who replaced Zamir last month. The government, from the outset, had been reluctant to initiate an inquiry on grounds of state security. The fear was that top secret operations of Shin Bet would be exposed.

But the cabinet's hope that the matter would be laid to rest after President Chaim Herzog granted blanket pardons to Shalom and his aides last month were dashed when the Supreme Court intervened. The high court, hearing challenges to the pardons by several legal groups, ordered the government on July 1 to show cause why an official inquiry should not be launched.

Harish told the cabinet that a police investigation was the least desirable of its two options. He urged a judicial commission which would conduct its hearings in strict secrecy under terms of reference that would not compromise the Shin Bet's operations. However, Harish made clear that he would have to order a police probe if the cabinet rejected his recommendation.

He said he could not face the High Court without a decision, one way or the other. Harish said that the four Shin Bet men involved would be interrogated by the police but no charges would be brought against them since they were pardoned in advance by the President.

But Premier Shimon Peres, who had been willing to go along with a judicial inquiry, warned that a police probe could implicate "others," meaning apparently Shin Bet agents not pardoned.

More in Israel than in U.S., says Levy

Cluster bomb issue explodes

TEL AVIV (JTA) — There is more "noise" in Israel over the cluster bomb affair than there is in the United States, Chief of Staff General Moshe Levy said last week on his return from a week-long visit to the U.S. where he conferred with top Pentagon officials and met with American Jewish leaders.

Levy was referring to media-published allegations — firmly denied here — that Israel sought illegally to obtain cluster bomb technology in the U.S. "I heard more about it in reactions from Israel than I did from the U.S.," he said.

He told Israel Radio that he found nothing in Washington to back up reports and speculation in Israel that the allegations originated with elements in the U.S. who wanted to harm U.S.-Israel relations. "America is a big country with many different trends and tendencies," he remarked.

"I think all the noise (about theft of technology) is much louder here than in the U.S.," Levy said.

He also said his impression was that Washington does not fear a new Middle East war at this time. "I do not think recent terrorist activities and the Israeli air strikes in Lebanon indicate a new escalation."

The chief of staff explained that there has not been "any basic change in the situation and in (Israel's) policies. We have always said that when we find terrorist targets we can attack, we will attack. And we know that whenever the terrorists can, they will try to infiltrate or to fire at our targets or to place bombs."

He maintained that Syria's deployment in Beirut was related to its own internal situation and to its goal to control Lebanon.

He also said he was told nothing new by the Americans with respect to the Lavi, Israel's second generation jet fighter aircraft, which the U.S. has opposed on grounds of excessive costs. He said the Americans have promised to re-evaluate their position and make it known by September or October. The Lavi, designed and built in Israel, is largely financed by the U.S.

While in New York, the chief of staff addressed a meeting of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

He described his meetings with Pentagon officials, headed by Admiral William Crowe Jr., chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He said it was "highly satisfactory" and confirmed that "Israel has very good friends in the American military.

"We regard good relations with the United States military as most important for our defence," Levy said. "It is always easier to implement the political decisions that are taken by the two countries when we enjoy — as we do — excellent contacts on the military level."

Last CJN for 2 weeks —Aug. 14 issue is next

By the time you read this, CJN staffers will be all over the North American continent on vacation for two weeks.

To make vacation time possible, we have closed down for two weeks — which means you will NOT receive any more editions of the paper until Aug. 14.

To enable the staff to get away early, this edition of The CJN went to press on Friday, July 18 instead of on Monday of this week, so we've missed the weekend news. However, we'll update readers from the time we closed down right up to Aug. 11 in our Aug. 14 issue.

Cheaper by the dozen?

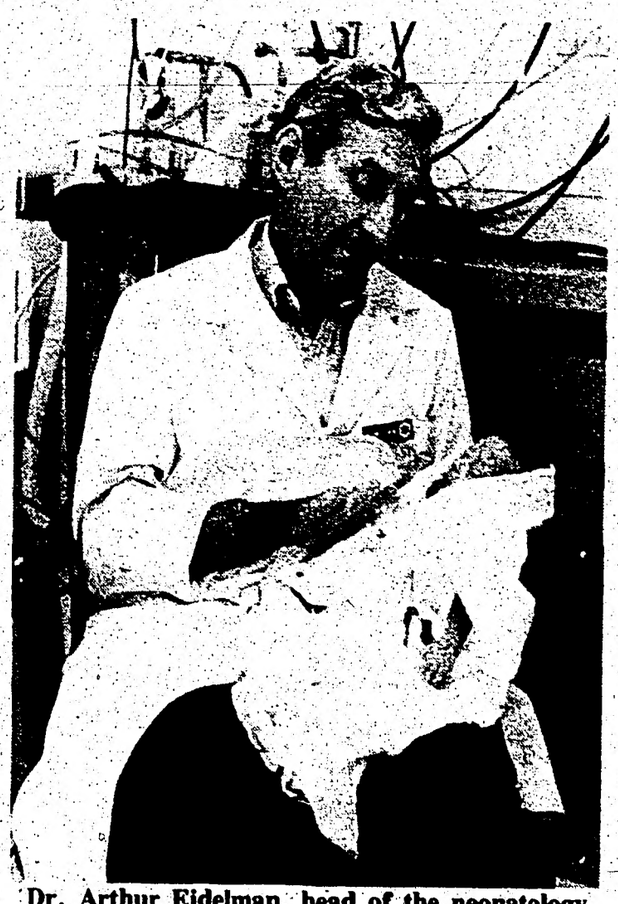
Study OKs many children

JERUSALEM — Dr. Arthur Eidelman, head of the department of neonatology at the Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, Jerusalem, has disproved the international medical rule that it's dangerous for a woman to have six or more children, the hospital states through a release.

In a paper he recently presented in Washington to the American Pediatric Society and the Society for Pediatric Research, Eidelman stated that after a 2-year study, he found no significant differences in the number of complications when comparing small families with women who have borne large families.

In earlier studies, the mothers under investigation were all in poor socio-economic circumstances and were compared with those in more favorable situations.

However, at Shaare Zedek which is a religious hospital and attracts many observant patients, a natural laboratory existed where the number of deliveries could be disassociated from socio-economic status. The large families resulted from religious and social conviction and represented all strata of society, the hospital says.



Dr. Arthur Eidelman, head of the neonatology department of Jerusalem's Shaare Zedek Medical Centre, takes a new friend to lunch during Israel's recent nurses' strike.

Working with Dr. Raymond Kamar of the department of gynecology and obstetrics and Dr. Michael Schimmel of neonatology, Eidelman studied the more than 7,000 mothers who delivered at Shaare Zedek in 1982-83. Of these, 899 (12%) delivered at least their sixth infant, with some having up to 13.

All of these women were married had received prenatal care and came from economically stable homes.

Comparison studies of "grand multi-para" mothers (six or more live births) to other mothers revealed no significant differences in the incidence of hypertension, diabetes, uterine atonia, hemorrhaging, caesarian section or stillbirth rate. In fact, the GM group had a significantly lower neonatal mortality rate (death of the newborn), despite a higher rate of multiple births.

Eidelman said that most previous studies of large families were conducted with American or African women from impoverished families, who had little or no prenatal care, a bad diet and often delivered at home.

Under consideration: Canada Month in Israel

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — The tourism council of Operation Independence agreed last week to support a Canada Month tourism festival in Israel. A subcommittee of about seven Canadian tour operators was set up to examine the logistics of the project, its timing, the programs it will offer and report back to the council.

The program, which may include cultural events, performances by Canadian folklore groups and conferences on agriculture and high tech, is designed to attract Canadian visitors to Israel to pump much needed foreign currency into the economy.

It is loosely modeled on a similar Germany Month, now in the planning stages.

Canada Month was tentatively scheduled for January-February 1987, a time when air fares are about $300 per ticket lower than high season rate and hotel prices are down by 25-30%.

However Danny Pavell, executive vice-president of Kenness Tours, the largest tour company in Israel, told the meeting at least one year lead time is required to make all the arrangements to ensure a successful program.

The tourism council, part of Operation Independence, a network of prominent Jewish businessmen in Canada and around the world working to help Israel reach economic independence, also agreed to advertise a calendar of trips to Israel being run by Canadian tour operators.

By running the calendar in publications received by the Jewish community, people will be made aware of upcoming tours to Israel and be better able to plan ahead, said Alex Serota, chairman of the tourism council.

Christian evangelicals traveling to Israel are especially interested in modern Israel and meeting articulate Israelis willing to discuss current issues, the council was told. Rev. Jim Cantelon of the Jerusalem Christian Assembly, told the meeting of about 24 tour operators and representatives of Jewish organizations and congregations that Protestants are less interested in historic Israel than other Christian denominations and are more interested in the people they meet.

He suggested implementing a lecture series with prominent spokesmen from high tech industries, the defence establishment and religious groups. Most of the Christian evangelicals he meets "want to know what's happening now," he said.

Radiation detector big hit

JERUSALEM (JTA) — An Israeli-made pocket-sized radiation detector is selling well in Europe as a result of fears following the Chernobyl nuclear disaster.

There have been so many orders for the detector that the Amcor Company has had to add extra shifts to meet demand which has increased tenfold since Chernobyl.

The "gamma alert device," the smallest and cheapest personal radiation detector on the market, beeps and flashes when radiation reaches five times the usual level.

Missile undergoes successful firing

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Israel's newest weapon, a ship-borne missile called Barak (Lightning) has been successfully test-fired, Israel Radio reported recently. The radar-directed short-range missile is designed for fast attack naval craft. A land-borne version known as Adams (Air Defense Advanced Mobile System) can be fired from moving vehicles against attacking aircraft.

Both were developed and produced by Rafael, the state-owned weapons development authority, jointly with Israel Aircraft Industries, for defence against small boats, shore targets, low-flying aircraft and helicopters.

The Barak, with a range of 10 kilometres, is launched vertically which gives it a 360-degree horizontal approach to an attacking target.

Only a few seconds elapse between detection of the target and the "kill," according to information supplied by Rafael. The missile lifts off for a dozen metres and then locks into its target by radar and is detonated by a proximity fuse.

Rafael is trying to attract customers abroad for the new weapon. Its sales promotion material notes that recent combat experience, notably the Falklands Islands war, demonstrated the need for a lightweight, short-range defence system for fast attack craft.

World-National

Onager lives once again in Israel

By
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Some time ago I wrote about an aspect of Israeli life that in the turmoil of politics, religious tensions and social controversy usually gets no attention at all. It was a simple story which, I am happy to say, evoked much interest from my readers.

Rabbi Plaut

It dealt with the reintroduction into the Negev of the wild ox (Hebrew re'em). The animal had long been extinct in the land but was found in Asia and, after some of the species were raised in the Tel Aviv zoo, they were eventually released to a wild life existence. The experiment was successful; the re'em once more roams freely in southern Israel.

Now a similar story has come to my attention. I found it in a new magazine, a glossy and beautifully illustrated quarterly called Eretz, published in Jerusalem. The story is called The Return of the Native Wild Ass. This species (also called onager) was exterminated by Bedouin tribesmen during the First World War, because it was deemed to be injurious to their herds and could not be used for food by either Jews or Muslims because of similar religious prohibitions.

In 1968 some Iranian wild asses were obtained from the Copenhagen zoo, and after 14 years of acculturating the animals to the climatic and ecological conditions of Israel they too were released into the Negev. The process, according to Eretz, "involved exposing the animals to simulated desert hazards and situations, and sharpening their survival instincts. In this new environment the zoo onagers bore offspring that were not only raised on new patterns of life but matured differently from their parents — developing smaller skeletons, for example. It is expected that their descendants will be virtually indistinguishable from the native onager."

Smaller and faster than horses, the onagers/wild asses were to the ancient Israelite the very incarnation of untamable creatures. The common Hebrew name was pere, which meant (and means) "wild." The term was (and is) also applied to human beings; thus it was prophesied of Ishmael that he would be a pere-adam, a wild or uncivilized person (Gen. 16). A linguistic aside: in modern Hebrew the word for strike is shevitah, and what in English is called a "wild cat strike" becomes in Hebrew a "wild **ass** strike" (shevitah pir'it).

Scientists found that onagers need grass to keep a healthy diet. "The long grass stems have much cellulose which, though impossible to digest, is good roughage: it scrubs the onager's stomach and intestines, keeping them clean and healthy."

This explains also a passage in Jeremiah (14'6) which reads: "And the wild asses stood on the bare heights, they sniffed the wind like jackals; their eyes failed because there was no grass."

The onager/wild ass is thus, aside from all else, a living link with the Bible. Its restoration to the land is another jewel in the crown of Israeli conservationists who take the past seriously and bring it into the living present.

Anti-Israel claims upset Meese

By
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WASHINGTON —

U.S. Attorney-General Edwin Meese is very upset over suspicions by some high Israeli officials that he might somehow be personally orchestrating unfavorable publicity for Israel in the United States. "Nothing could be more absurd than such allegations," he told this reporter.

The attorney-general, who served as President Ronald Reagan's White House chief of staff during the first four years of this administration, said that he was doing everything within his power to ensure that "the highest professional standards" are met by the justice department in investigating alleged Israeli improprieties. He described the anti-Israel press leaks as "obviously unacceptable."

One of Meese's senior aides, in explaining Meese's reaction, said that the attorney-general wanted the suspicions against him "nipped in the bud." The aide said: 'He's very taken aback by all of this."

Meese, who recently visited Israel for a week, sees himself as a strong supporter. But the fact is that he cannot completely control his own bureaucracy. He can issue directives to his staff to stop the disclosures involving Israel — and he has. But it is obviously not always possible to make sure that those orders are obeyed.

U.S. officials are hoping that Israel can appreciate this fact of life. After all, Israeli leaders, including the Prime Minister, the foreign minister and the defence minister, cannot always control their own bureaucracies either.

Some of the more sophisticated Israeli officials in Washington are sensitive to this problem, but others, especially in Jerusalem, are not. This second batch of officials sees the series of anti-Israeli disclosures in Washington as part of a plot "to get Israel." There are all sorts of conspiracy theories circulated. Perhaps Meese and other administration officials are still angry at Israel for embarrassing Reagan in 1981 during the Saudi AWACS debate. This is supposedly their way of getting even.

When justice minister Yitzhak Modai was in Washington recently, he raised this matter of the damaging leaks with Meese. Later, Modai told reporters that if anyone could understand the nature of unauthorized leaks in a democratic society with an aggressive and free press, it was Israel, where unauthorized disclosures are also part of the general landscape.

But despite Modai's sympathy and Meese's reassurances, there is little doubt that there are indeed influential elements in the Reagan administration — in fact within the justice department — who are only too happy to try to embarrass Israel. This has been, of course, very apparent during the unfolding of the Jonathan Jay Pollard spy scandal these past several months. Most of the most damaging disclosures in the U.S. news media came from the justice department and various agencies under its overall control, including the Office of the U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

They and other U.S. law-enforcement officers — in marked contrast to the state department and the White House — have also been in the forefront in circulating embarrassing information — as far as Israel is concerned — in a whole vartiety of separate investigations involving alleged Israeli arms smuggling operations.

There have been a series of such incidents, including the apparently illegal transfer to Israel last year of kryton nuclear switching devices and the subsequent sale of restricted tank barrel technology. In addition, there are two separate cases currently before U.S. courts involving retired Israeli army officers — including a general — indicted on charges of conspiring to sell weapons to Iran. The damage of the Pollard affair has merely reinforced the impression that Israel is guilty.

Recently, Israeli officials at the defence ministry's purchasing mission in New York were accused of trying to smuggle technology and equipment necessary for the manufacture of cluster bombs in Israel. Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Richard Murphy, in notifying Israeli Ambassador Meir Rosenne of the 5-month U.S. justice department customs service and Pentagon investigation, said that the U.S. government would try to keep a lid on the story. The investigation would be conducted quietly, without the fanfare of newspaper headlines.

But within hours, CBS News broadcast a report, including all of the various details, on its nightly television program. The rest of the American news media quickly followed suit. The CBS report came from its justice department correspondent.

As a result, Israel once again finds itself accused of committing another sordid act against the United States, its best friend and major ally. And in the process, the perception in America of Israel as ungrateful and treacherous is strengthened. The damage is very real, Israeli officials concede. There is a cumulative impact; each episode weakens Israel's image. Israel's most active enemies can simply sit back, smile and gloat.

To a certain degree, Israel has itself to blame for much of this most recent negative publicity. It was, after all, caught red-handed in the Pollard case. That was an incredibly stupid and insensitive affair which deeply angered American officials. They quickly became emboldened to go after Israel on other alleged improprieties.

The latest incident involving the cluster bombs technology reportedly occurred late in 1984 and early in 1985 — months before Pollard, a U.S. Navy intelligence analyst, was arrested outside the Israeli embassy in Washington on espionage charges. But the actual investigation of this arms smuggling operation apparently did not get off the ground until after Pollard's arrest.

American agents are said to have stumbled across this cluster bomb affair when they stepped up their investigation into the activities of the defence ministry's purchasing mission in New York — again, only after Pollard's arrest. That office, headed by Gen. Avraham Ben-Yosef, is responsible for procuring military equipment in the United States. At its disposal is much of the $1.8 billion in annual U.S. military aid appropriated for Israel. The office has over 200 people working there. They go around the country, looking for the best weaponry available.

One of their most important assignments is to learn of the latest technology on the market and to make sure it becomes part of Israel's inventory.

U.S. officials have long suspected that these Israeli officials, at times, "bend the law." But until now, there has not really been any hard evidence against Israel — only ugly suspicions. Israeli officials concede that before the Pollard case, Israel may occasionally have gone too far in pressing for some new military technology. But they maintain that it was not done out of malice against the United States.

At this point, serious questions are being asked in Washington about the Israeli government's ability to control itself. "There's less and less confidence in Israel's competence," said one pro-Israeli observer, suggesting that the Israeli government should impose stricter political oversights on its intelligence and defence establishments.

Why doesn't Bill Buckley drop poison pen writer?

By
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WASHINGTON —

A few thoughts, as William F. Buckley Jr. would say, about anti-semites and whether his fellow National Review editor, the syndicated columnist Joseph Sobran, is one. Buckley, in an extraordinary move, has dissociated himself in the National Review from Sobran's writings but not — note — from Sobran himself. He remains one of the Review's three senior editors.

What Buckley does is important. As the founding editor of the nation's most influential conservative journal and as both the friend and ideological mentor of President Reagan, Buckley is a figure conservatives look to for cues. Anti-semitism is infecting attitudes toward the Middle East, and Buckley is in a position to say what is and what is not permitted — what is legitimate criticism (Israeli policy, the Jewish lobby) and what is based on prejudice.

Unfortunately, when it comes to Sobran, Buckley's definition of what constitutes anti-semitism is flabby. Among other things, Sobran has written that The New York Times endorsed the air strike against Libya only because it served its Zionist editorial line. He also wrote, in Buckley's words, "that the visit of the Pope to a Rome synagogue had the effect of muting historical persecution of Christians by Jews." (That's right — Christians by Jews.) And finally, Sobran wrote a paean to a little-known magazine called Instauration. He called it "often brilliant," but B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League had a different assessment of it: "anti-Semitic" and racist.

Buckley appreciates that Sobran has offended and he finds some of his writings inexplicable. He concedes a reader "might reasonably conclude" that Sobran is "inclined to anti-semitism," but he assures us that the truth is otherwise. The thrust of his argument is that Sobran is insensitive, a klutz with the pen, and the consequences have been potentially damaging. Sobran has insulted Jews — "the natural allies" of the conservative movement. Thus Sobran is accused of endangering the Great Conservative Coalition. He is welcome to stay, but only if he keeps his mouth shut.

Buckley is right that Jews sometimes see anti-semitism where it isn't and ascribe it to those who, for whatever reason, are critical of Israel. But he begs the question in Sobran's case. The man cannot be separated from his writing. If, after a thousand years of Christian persecution of Jews and the direct papal role in establishing the ghettos of Italy (the word originated in Venice), he can instead see Jewish persecution of Christians, then he is dealing from an anti-semitic deck.

Similarly, any reader of Sobran's column praising Instauration would have to conclude that an animus towards Jews and other minorities is what compels him to stand things on their head. The magazine publishes cartoon stereotypes of Blacks ("Willie"), Jews ("Marvin") and Hispanics ("Pancho") and refers to the Holocaust as the "Holohoax" ("one gigantic hebe soap opera"). In its September 1985 edition, Instauration returned Sobran's praise. It entitled an article The Brave Pen of Joseph Sobran, hailing him for his defence of "white racial pride and solidarity."

Understandably, Buckley shies from dissociating himself entirely from his friend and colleague. His is a painful task. But one can fairly ask how the Joe Sobran-Bill Buckley relationship is, in essence, different than the one Jesse Jackson had with Rev. Louis Farrakhan. Jackson initially went the Buckley route and dissociated himself from Farrakhan's statements. Finally, when others pointed out that those statements reflected the man, he severed the relationship entirely.

Buckley and the other editors of the National Review, though, have refused to drop the other shoe. Buckley rejects particular Sobran writings but embraces the whole man. But anti-semitism can be deduced from the way a person conducts himself. In Sobran's case, the conduct in question is his writings, and those put his anti-semitism beyond doubt. But rather than dissociate himself from the man, Buckley raps his knuckles and issues a warning. We hear nothing from Sobran himself.

As Buckley notes, American conservatism has come a long way since it was polluted by anti-semitism — and some of the credit is his. But the continued presence of Sobran on the masthead of America's most influential conservative magazine is a step backward. Sobran is no martyr to the hair-trigger sensitiveness of Jews, but a victim of his own poison pen. Reconsider, Bill Buckley, before Sobran's ink stains your own cause.

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U.S. Jews plan Gorbachev protest

By
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WASHINGTON —

American Jews will mount huge protest demonstrations against the Soviet Union's Mikhail Gorbachev should he come to the United States for a second summit meeting unless the USSR allows more Jews to emigrate, says Jewish leader Kenneth Bialkin.

"In the absence of any change (in the emigration rate), we will be advocating massive demonstrations against Gorbachev," Bialkin said, to show "the hardline Soviet attitude has not changed."

Bialkin was speaking with reporters at the National Press Club recently after concluding two successive 1-year terms as head of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations and the Anti-Defamation League.

Bialkin criticized the U.S. increase in cultural exchanges between the two countries calling them "misplaced and misdirected" because they give the impression "things are fine" when "things are not fine."

World-National

Waterloo County school board awaits ruling

Shylock gets suspended in historic decision

Hath not a Jew eyes? Hath not a Jews hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions?

— Shylock in The Merchant of Venice

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By
RON CSILLAG

KITCHENER, Ont. — The records date back to 1966. For the past 20 years, parents in this southwestern Ontario city have been imploring educators at the Waterloo County Board of Education, one of the largest school boards in Canada, to do something about the teaching of Shakespeare's controversial play, The Merchant of Venice.

Twenty years ago, there were quiet rumblings of concern from the few Jewish parents in the region. It was nothing new; one of the play's main characters, Shylock, was a greedy, usurous, shady, money-lending Jew and Jewish parents were concerned the portrayal reinforced negative and potentially harmful stereotypes about Jews, especially in the pliable minds of the 9th grade.

But in those days, the voices of concern weren't taken too seriously. For one, they were few and they dared not speak up in this vast area, where Jews were scarce and racial tensions, if there were any, simmered beneath the surface.

Two weeks ago, that changed.

In a 10 to 8 vote, trustees of the board voted to suspend the teaching of The Merchant of Venice while the Ontario Human Rights Commission and the ministry of education issue some kind of guidelines or rule whether the play is anti-semitic (CJN, July 17).

In another motion, the board said the teaching of the play in junior grades is "inappropriate" and voted to drop its teaching entirely from intermediate grades, 7 through 10. The play had been taught starting in grade 9.

It was an historic decision for several reasons. For one, it marked the first occasion an Ontario school board suspended the work from the English curriculum pending the advice of an outside body, and the first time the education ministry has been asked to rule on the Shakespeare classic.

And it was important because the board is seen not only to have responded to parents' concerns but to have acted wisely in seeking advice from the government.

The board's decision and a subsequent ruling on the play could have far-reaching effects because other school boards have encountered the same problem. By and large, they have responded by moving the play to senior grades, 12 and 13. One school in the Hamilton region dropped the play from the curriculum altogether.

"Twenty years has been enough. This isn't an educational issue. It's a social issue," says Monna Zentner, one of the parents who had been trying to move the play to the senior grades.

The parents' coalition of more than 100 Jews and non-Jews, argued the older students would be better equipped and more mature to deal with the work's anti-semitic content.

Shylock was portrayed sympathetically, rather than as a villain, by Jewish actor Henry Irving in 1883.

"In the upper grades, kids have less of a tendency to act on their bigotry. In the lower grades, the play supplies a whole new vocabulary to kids. Instead of swearing, they'll use racial slurs," said Zentner, a professor of social science at Waterloo University.

At a 2½ hour trustees' meeting in early July, some of those slurs were aired publicly for the first time. Students, now in senior grades, told of how they had been subjected to a barrage of name-calling, taunts and anti-semitic slurs from classmates while the play was taught.

The most dramatic stories came from several students who said pennies were thrown at them, with their supposed friends shouting, "Pick them up, Jew!"

Another Jewish girl was told by her teacher to play the part of Shylock. When she returned to her desk the next day, swastikas had been scratched into it.

Although most of the incidents occurred in the spirit of youthful jest, they hurt just the same, the students said. To this day, they stated, they are still trying to figure out how their classmates could have turned on them.

Herb Altman was one of the eight trustees who voted against dropping the play from junior grades. In an interview with The CJN, Altman said much of the testimony from the students was three years old and that the anti-semitic comments "were made in fun. Fun or not, the comments should not be made but there's a different connotation when they're made in fun.

"We have a healthy community here," Altman said. "I was surprised at the magnitude" of the parents' concern. "There are no major racial problems in this area."

Altman said he is in favor of getting a ruling on the play but against moving it to senior grades. "I don't think it'll make a difference."

One of the trustees, according to Zentner, said there was anti-semitism anyway "and that children should get used to it." The parents were accused of being "book banners" and were warned that if the play was banned, Jewish students could bear the brunt for it.

Prior to the board's decision, Zentner said she received a number of anti-semitic phone calls.

Canadian Jewish Congress, which intervened in the matter, has praised the board's decision as a brave and precedent-setting one.

Bernie Farber of CJC's community relations department feels other boards may now re-evaluate The Merchant of Venice.

Farber, who attended the July trustees' meeting, cited a study prepared by the social action committee of Temple Israel in Ottawa. The study warned the play "leads to a negative image of Shylock (who is referred to as "the Jew") and, by implication, to a negative ethnic stereotyping of Jews. There is a danger the student will come away from the play thinking all Jews were like this, particularly if he had no contact with Jewish people. The story implies inferiority of Jewish belief." In the end, Shylock is forced to convert to Christianity, which the study says is seen as "a happy solution."

Shakespeare's controversial play is not the only work of literature to have met opposition from concerned parents. Mark Twain's The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, for example, has been moved to senior grades in Ontario because of its tongue-in-cheek look at racism, while The Catcher in the Rye has long been the target of puritans for its mature content and language.

But the ministry of education has no specific guidelines for the teaching of these and other works.

Susan Hannah, an assistant to education minister Sean Conway, told The CJN that provincial guidelines call only for the teaching of drama. They do not identify what sort of drama; that is left to the discretion of each individual board, Hannah explained.

Since they began their campaign, the Kitchener parents have asked the board to prepare a set of guidelines for the teaching of The Merchant of Venice. Those guidelines, according to board officials, were supposed to be ready by this September but will likely be placed on the backburner while deliberations continue.

Toni Silberman of the Ontario Human Rights Commission said the commission has not received "anything formal yet" from the Waterloo board but when it does, its race relations arm will work closely with the education ministry.

And what of the Bard himself? Was Shakespeare anti-semitic? Is The Merchant of Venice, said to be one of his greatest works, intentionally anti-Jewish or does it rely on exaggeration to say Jews are people too?

According to Shakespeare scholar Prof. Derek Cohen of York University, there are two schools of thought: One, that the author was simply "a product of his times," in which Jews were banned from living in London; and two, that Shylock was a caricature, intended to raise anti-semitism to exaggerated heights.

For his part, Cohen feels the work is "fairly anti-semitic. There is a long tradition in Engish literature in presenting Jews as convenient villains."

However, Cohen says there is a "greater danger" in preventing the teaching of the play. "We can only hope that the anti-semitism (in the play) is recognized by teachers and is used constructively."

BB slams kiosks decision

By
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MONTREAL — The Federal Court decision to allow the Party for the Commonwealth of Canada (PCC) to set up information kiosks in federal airports has been criticized by the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights.

The league, like its counterpart Anti-Defamation League in the United States, has had a running feud with the PCC, which has links with a controversial American political network headed by Lyndon LaRouche.

Although league regional director Arthur Hiess had no evidence the literature being distributed by the party at Canadian airports could be legally defined as racist, he said the LaRouche network has demonstrated that it is "clearly anti-semitic" by its past activities.

Because of a number of writings in the late 1970s by LaRouche, a perennial presidential candidiate in the U.S., the ADL charged the group with anti-semitism. LaRouche lost his $26 million libel suit against the ADL in 1979 in the New York Supreme Court. The judge concluded that the charge of anti-semitism constituted "fair comment." The LaRouche network is known as the International Caucus of Labor Committees.

LaRouche group allowed space in federal airports

Its Canadian affiliate, the Party for the Commonwealth of Canada set up headquarters in Montreal in 1982, said Hiess. Its leader Gilles Gervais ran in the Montreal elections that year, and the party fielded 66 candidates (44 in Quebec) in the 1984 federal election and 26 candidates in last December's provincial election in Quebec.

Before and after the 1984 federal election, BB entered into some mudslinging via the media with the PCC, which denied that it was anti-semitic. The exchange reached a low point when Gervais personally dumped some raw liver in the BB office in April of last year.

Over the years, the PCC has set up tables selling their publications in other public places, frequently Montreal's subway system, as well as on the street.

Although the PCC has received less than 1% of the vote in the elections it has contested, Hiess said the league is concerned that party may make the political ground the group has in the U.S. Three LaRouche candidates (two in Illinois and one in California) have been successful in Democratic state primaries this year. The most prominent is Janice Hart who won the Illinois Democratic nomination for secretary of state.

Hiess said his office has already received complaints from travelers through the Dorval, Quebec City and Ottawa airports who say the PCC's information tables are obtrusive and its representatives are pressuring passers-by to sign up as members.

"The Canadian legal system allows justifiable limits to be placed on any freedom, including the freedom of speech," said Hiess. "Canadian airports should not be the venue for extremist groups to engage in questionable propagandizing."

The party has reportedly taken advantage of the Federal Court decision made in January and set up its kiosks in six airports. Transport Canada has appealed the decision.

In the ruling, Justice J.E. Dube is reported to have said that while the government should be able to regulate activities for public safety, it should not "smother the fundamental freedom of persons to peacefully disseminate their political, religious or other views in a public place."

The PCC has reportedly also set up displays in the Toronto, Calgary and Vancouver airports on a rotating basis.

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By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

QUESTION: In the Orthodox community, if I have no children am I a failure? — Beth.

In Psalms, Chapter 128:3, we are told of the happiness that lies in store for the honest, upright, God-fearing man: "Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine, in the innermost parts of thy house; Thy children like olive plants, round about thy table." This, then, is the picture of the good life. That's the true millionaire.

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Can everyone be a millionaire? The ways of the Torah bring with them this blessing, according to Proverbs, Chapter 3:16, 17: "Length of days are in her right hand; In her left are riches and honor. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, And all her paths are peace." When a person doesn't receive all these blessings, it should not be taken as a sign that he failed to observe the Torah. And when one is childless, it is not a sign of Divine disapproval.

According to Rabbi Chiyya in Tractate Kessubos, 59B, "A wife is but for her beauty; a wife is but for children . . . . a wife is but for woman's finery." You can't take these statements as a comment on his own life. He had a fine set of twin sons, a fine set of twin daughters, and he wanted children, according to Tractate Yevammos, 65B.

He spoke for different varieties of men in the world. Some men want a wife only for her beauty. Woe to her if she loses it. If pregnancy will damage that beauty, those husbands desire no children. An example of such a man is the biblical Er.

When Er married Tamar, he practiced a form of perversion that kept her from becoming pregnant, according to the Talmud. We know why Onan didn't want children. But Er had a different reason, and Rashi gives it to us: "And why did Er destroy his seed? So that she would not conceive and mar her beauty."

Despite that type of fool, a normal life includes having children. Not having children seems like a denial of one's birthright. We can hear this in Rachel's scream, in Genesis 30:1, when her sister was having children, while she was not. Rachel cried out: "Give me children; if not, I am dead." Rashi bring down a Midrash on this passage: "Hence we learn that one who has no children is considered as dead."

C. G. Montefiore, in his introduction to A Rabbinic Anthology (1960) xli, quotes Aristotle's statement that "Ill health, early death, childlessness, unsatisfactory children . . . deter men . . . from achieving that good which is the aim of life." He found no parallel passage in Talmudic thought. He must have overlooked the Midrash quoted in Rashi.

The justice of our Heavenly Father requires that we see an intrinsic worth in every person in the world. Looking at an extreme case, at a male who thought himself worthless as "a dry tree," we find Isaiah in chapter 56:4-5, giving these words of comfort:

"For thus saith the Lord concerning the eunuchs that keep My sabbaths, And choose the things that please Me, And hold fast by My covenant; Even unto them will I give in My House and within My walls a monument and a memorial better than sons and daughters." Thus there are things that are better and more important to the Almighty than sons and daughters.

In Tractate Yevammos, 63B, considerable attention is given to the importance of having children. Rabbi Eliezer taught that he who does not engage in propagating the race is as though he sheds blood. Ben Azzai said: "As though he sheds blood and diminishes the Divine Image." For this he was called to task by scholars who wanted to know why he didn't practice what he preached. Ben Azzai replied:

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Burg: Too late to prevent Mormon project

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Orthodox groups seeking to block the Mormon educational centre under construction on Mt. Scopus were taken aback by Religious Affairs Minister Yosef Burg's reported statement last week that it was too late to halt the controversial project.

Burg is leader of the National Religious Party. As chairman of the special cabinet committee set up recently to decide the fate of the centre, he was considered a key figure in the fight. Recently, he addressed the meeting of the board of governors of Yeshiva University here and reportedly told them it was "two years and nine million dollars too late" to halt the Mormon Centre.

Orthodox objections centre on the fact that the Mormon church is evangelical and they fear the centre, sponsored by the church-affiliated Brigham Young University of Provno, Utah, will be used for missionary activities. It will rise adjacent to the Hebrew University's Mt. Scopus campus.

The project originated several years ago during the Likud administration of Premier Menachem Begin. It was granted all necessary permits and building licences by the government and the Jerusalem municipality. Burg is reported to have stated, "There is no way to stop it."

He gave assurances, however, that "our plan now is to restrict them as much as we can." He said centre activities would be limited to Mormon students from the U.S. and there would be "no kind of public lectures or any events of that nature."

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The failure of Orthodox leaders to offer strong repudiation of violent acts and the lack of vigorous police action were listed by Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek as key factors in the recent outbreak of secular-Orthodox violence in this city.

Mayor Kollek, addressing the opening session here of the 22nd annual America-Jewish dialogue sponsored by the American Jewish Congress, said that without strong leadership, the violence in Jerusalem will spread.

He said that if strong leadership were offered, tensions would be ameliorated and violence and hostility reduced. On the other hand, he noted, "If you have no strong leaders who will come up and speak against it, violence will spread."

In the absence of effective repudiation of violence by such leaders, he added, people feel they are losing control.

SCALE MODEL

Tel Aviv Hilton manager Pieter Van Der Vliet shows model of Statue of Liberty sculpted by hotel employees, to Alice Pickering, wife of U.S. ambassador to Israel Thomas Pickering. The gift was presented to the Pickerings at their Herzliah Pituach residence during July 4 celebrations. [IPPA photo]

American Jews are going west

NEW YORK — Which U.S. Sunbelt state do you think registered the largest gain in Jewish population last year? You're behind the times if you guessed Florida.

Florida, which in 1984 registered the largest gain in Jewish population among the Sunbelt states, yielded first place in that category to Arizona in 1985, according to statistics in the American Jewish Year Book, just published by the American Jewish Committee.

Florida had gained nearly 80,000 Jews, but last year the increase fell to 11,500. Arizona, which the year before had added 4,000 Jews, noted an increase of 15,000 last year.

The Jewsh population in the U.S. in 1985 was estimated to be 5.835 million, approximately the same as reported for 1984.

Despite the slowing of its rate of percentage of gain in Jewish population, Florida's total of 570,320 Jews by far exceeded Arizona's 68,285, enabling Florida to retain its standing as the third-largest percentage concentration of Jews (5.2%) in the nation, led only by New York with 1.915 million (10.8%) and New Jersey with 430,570 (5.7%).

In the southwest, Colarado, with 48,565 Jews, was up more than 4,000 while Texas, with 78,655 Jews, rose by less than 200.

In the southeast, Georgia witnessed an increase from 42,155 to 58,657, although this rise was attributed in some part to a revised study of the Atlanta Jewish population conducted after an interval of some years.

California was the second most populous Jewish state in the U.S., with 793,065 with the bulk of the Jewish population living in southern California, primarly in metropolitan Los Angeles.

"The second Jewish America is distinctive in that it has no significant roots, its cultural heritage is more Wild West, and its members have few cultural points in common," Bruce A. Phillips writes in an article in the American Jewish Year Book.

Yet, he adds that Los Angeles has a Jewish community with identifiable Jewish neighborhoods, an impressive range of institutions and a dynamic cultural life. Phillips also makes the point that the city is quite unlike New York, since New York is concentrated and urban, while Los Angeles is spread over hundreds of square miles.

The article also points out that Los Angeles is not the retirement city that Miami is and migrants tend to be younger rather than older.

He concludes that there is a growing Jewish community in the West, with Los Angeles its acknowledged capital. This fact, he says, has been recognized by the three main religious groups in Jewish life, which have established branches of their schools of higher learning in Los Angeles.

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Canadians at racist meet

HAYDEN LAKE, Idaho — Two Canadians joined 150 of their American cohorts at a recent meeting of the Aryan Nation white supremacist group, which declared an area of the Pacific Northwest a sanctuary for white people.

John Ross Taylor, 73, the Aryan Nation's "ambassador" to Canada and Terry Long, leader of the Aryan Nation in Canada, attended a World Aryan Congress at a wooded compound owned by the Church of Jesus Christ Christian-Aryan Nations in the town of Hayden Lake.

Delegates entered by passing a sentry box bearing a Whites Only notice. They were greeted by guards in uniforms adorned with the group's swastika-like badges and carrying machine pistols, rifles and shotguns.

Taylor, who attended daily the trial of convicted falsifier Ernst Zundel in Toronto, wore the quasi-swastika badge.

Long, 40, was introduced as the leader of the group in Canada, which aims to establish a "white sanctuary" in eastern British Columbia and Alberta. Long sporadically attended the trial of Jim Keegstra, the one-time Eckville, Alta. schoolteacher convicted of promoting hatred against Jews in the classroom.

Long, who wore a baseball cap adorned with the Confederate flag and the words White Pride, said he is a graduate engineer. He now works in a sawmill.

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents and sheriff's deputies monitored the delegates as they entered the meeting.

Legality of classroom recitation upheld

Court ruling on Lord's Prayer draws criticism

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Jewish community officials are disappointed in a recent decision by the Ontario Supreme Court upholding the constitutionality of reciting the Lord's Prayer in the classroom.

Divisional Court ruled 2-1 that saying the Lord's Prayer in Ontario classrooms does not violate the religious freedom of non-Christians and is not contrary to the Charter of Rights.

The case stems from a suit launched by five parents in Sudbury, who argued that the daily recitation of the Lord's Prayer in schools promotes Christianity over other religions and discriminates against non-Christians and non-believers.

Two of the parents are secular Jews, one is a practicing Jew, one a Moslem and one a non-practicing Christian.

They argued that although regulations of the Sudbury Board of Education allow children to opt out of prayer, the act of not conforming singles them out and opens them to ridicule and stigmatization.

The parents said the Lord's Prayer impels religious observance and is a Christian, not a non-denominational prayer. They wanted either to scrap saying the prayer or to allow children a moment of quiet reflection, a practice now common in many schools.

But the court rejected the parents' argument, ruling there was no coercion to say the prayer and added that if a child faces embarrassment as a result of not saying it, "it is nevertheless an embarrassment that will have to be faced throughout life and not just during school years," Mr. Justice Dennis O'Leary said in his judgment.

"It's a sad day," Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region chairman Charles Zaionz told The CJN. "(The ruling) certainly sustains the feeling that the public school system is not devoid of religion.

"The problem is that many people feel the Lord's Prayer is non-denominational. It's a Christian prayer of Christian origin. Somewhere down the line, (the case) will probably get to the Supreme Court (of Canada)."

As of press time, the parents' lawyer, Charles Campbell, could not say if the ruling would be appealed.

However, when the case was argued last spring, both sides acknowledged to reporters that whatever the decision, it would likely be appealed.

Both CJC and B'nai B'rith's League for Human Rights were intervenors in the case.

"We're quite disappointed," the league's national director, Alan Shefman said. "We are very strongly urging the ministry of education, even in light of the decision, to amend the inadequacies in the (Education) Act."

In his judgment, O'Leary wrote that "our schools have an obligation to teach morality. While some may argue that morality can be taugnt without associating it with God, few would deny that in the minds of most persons, morality and religion are intertwined and that to associate God and morality is an effective way of teaching morality."

O'Leary noted that the Constitution recognizes the supremacy of God and wrote that reciting the Lord's Prayer, even if one is not a Christian or is a non-believer, does not deprive a person of his religious freedoms. At best, it amounts to "a minor infringement of freedom of conscience and religion."

Mr. Justice William Anderson agreed, saying the opting out provision of the regulations ensures that no student is forced to recite the prayer. Anderson suggested the parents appeal to the school board to explore the possibility of more ecumenical religious exercises.

The decision "reveals a regretable insensitivity to the realities of minority group experiences," said Alan Borovoy, counsel to the Canadian Civil Liberties Association.

But the parents can take some solace in the dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Robert Reid, who agreed that school prayer "grants to the minority less freedom than the majority enjoy.

"I cannot accept the view that the objectors must pay a price for their objection, when the willing conformists pay no price...It may be difficult for religious people to appreciate the feelings of agnostics and atheists. Yet nevertheless, those feelings exist," Reid argued.

Israel Navy head seeking big expansion

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

The Navy, the smallest and probably least publicized branch of the Israel Defence Forces, is due for major expansion and greater attention if its commander's plans are implemented.

They call, among other things, for the construction of four more Saar-class missile boats and three new submarines at a cost of about $1 billion. Addressing reporters on the occasion of Navy Day, Admiral Avraham Ben-Shushan expressed grave concern over the growing naval strength of enemy Arab states and the increased frequency and sophistication of terrorist attempts to attack Israel by sea.

Israel needs new missile boats and submarines to meet the threat posed by the enlarged Syrian and Libyan navies and increased terrorist activity on the high seas, Ben-Shushan said. He disclosed that 31 terrorists were killed or captured in encounters with the Israel Navy at sea during the past year.

But the admiral stressed that the Navy's main problem is not the terrorists but how to cope with enemy navies. Both Syria and Libya are in the process of upgrading their navies, Ben-Shushan said. "We are watching the Syrian threat very carefully. They have more missile boats and modified missiles. They are much improved over 1973," the year of the Yom Kippur War he said.

Libya, at the same time, is acquiring naval craft from both the Eastern and Western powers, which means Israel has to adopt countermeasures against both, he said.

He noted that the Syrian and Libyan navies held numerous joint exercises last year and are cooperating more closely. He also observed that there are more Soviet naval units in the eastern Mediterranean than ever before, visiting ports in the region and cruising the high seas.

He stressed that the Navy has very good relations with the U.S. Sixth Fleet.

The terrorists, too, are seeking better and faster boats and are beginning to train their people in more conventional ways, though their attempted attacks on Israel so far have been foiled.

Reporters were taken on a cruise aboard a Saar-4 class missile boat equipped with the Navy's new Dolphin anti-submarine helicopter. The latter is a French-designed, American manufactured aircraft used by the U.S. Coast Guard. It has been modified by Israel to detect, track and attack submarines, for targeting enemy craft beyond visual range and for search and rescue operations.

Jane's Aircraft, the respected British publication, reported that Israel has acquired two Dolphins and hopes to obtain 20 more. According to Ben-Shushan, Saudi Arabia has also acquired the Dolphin.

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Hopes to build on improved performance

Weiler takes over as Bank Leumi (Canada) head

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO — Bank Leumi Le-Israel (Canada) has a new chief executive officer and president. Yehuda Weiler last week took over from Moshe Rosen as the executive who heads the multi-million dollar banking business. Rosen is returning to Israel.

He takes over an operation that for most of its four years of existence has consistently run in the red. But the figures for the fiscal half-year ending in April showed a modest improvement, said Weiler in a distinctive Israeli accent — an improvement he hopes to build on.

Yehuda Weiler

Weiler, who has been in Canada all of five weeks, comes to the Canadian branch of the farflung Bank Leumi operation from the highly prestigious position as regional manager for Tel Aviv. In that capacity, he supervised the operations of 55 Tel Aviv-based branches, and before that he acted as deputy to the head of the banking division for Bank Leumi Le-Israel B.M., the Israeli parent company.

He joined Bank Leumi in Israel as a junior clerk in 1953 after graduating from the Hebrew University with a background in economics. While working at the bank, he continued his education with night courses, earning in 1957 a law degree from Tel Aviv University.

Weiler's Toronto assignment marks his first foreign posting and his first trip to Canada. Joined by his wife Dalia and youngest son Yagil, 12, Weiler expects to remain in Canada about four years.

Offers overall banking

During that time Weiler hopes to improve Bank Leumi's business in the Jewish and general communities by continuing to offer the overall banking services associated with Canadian-based banks — which he terms his major competition.

Bank Leumi offers a "retail service" which includes loans aimed at "medium-sized businesses" — loans in the $500,000-$2 million range. Most are gobbled up by businesses operating in the real estate market, or as commercial loans and by private individuals as well, though Weiler hopes to increase the bank's industrial loans too.

He'd also like to see an increase in the "business connected with Israel — imports, exports. Until now, we haven't succeeded in doing much of that business," he said.

Weiler attributes Bank Leumi's problem of running in the red — its net loss for 1985 was $396,000 — to its attempt to broaden its scope by operating a retail business, which entailed increased costs to pay staff. Other foreign-owned banks run a wholesale trade, with no over the counter business, he said.

Weiler, 55, said the management of the Israeli parent of the Canadian bank anticipated losses when they opened the bank in 1982. They realized it was a new environment with different economic circumstances than the Israeli scene, and reasoned that "after we learn what's going on, we'd start to show a profit." That was the circumstance in other newly created Bank Leumi subsidiaries in the United States and Europe, he noted.

In May, Bank Leumi closed its office in one of the giant corporate towers near Toronto's Bay St. because it was "too expensive to hold a downtown office. Most of our business is in this neighborhood," Weiler said, referring to the Lawrence-Bathurst area where Bank Leumi, complete with corporate and national flags fluttering in the breeze, runs its operation.

Weiler's responsibilities include not just the Toronto operation. He will also oversee the activities of the Montreal branch, which is managed by Andre Doron. Roger Hall is the Toronto branch manager.

So far, — he's been gratified by the friendly reception he's received in Toronto. Dalia and Yagil, who arrived only two weeks ago, are enjoying finding their way around Toronto and making new acquaintances and friends.

Their other two sons, Yaron, 23, and Yair, 21, remained in Israel.

Bank Leumi Le-Israel (Canada), with assets of $150 million, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Bank Leumi le-Israel B.M.

Anti-semitic book angers Shultz

By KEVIN FREEMAN

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Syrian defence minister, Mustafa Tlas, is being accused of authoring an anti-semitic book said to be widely distributed in Syria which revives and gives credence to the ancient blood libel accusations of the Middle Ages.

Secretary of State George Shultz, alerted to the book's circulation in Syria, has instructed the United States embassy in Damascus to investigate the charges raised against Tlas by the Los Angeles-based Simon Wiesenthal Center.

Shultz, in a letter dated July 3 to the centre, said: "I can assure you I share your deep sense of outrage that individuals continue to write such works which clearly serve only to further hatred and anti-semitism against the Jewish people . . .

"I have asked that a copy of the book, your translated excerpts and letter, are provided to the U.S. embassy in Damascus with instructions that this matter be raised with the Syrian government. I strongly agree that we must make our views known when confronted with efforts of this kind anywhere in the world," Shultz said.

A spokesman for the Syrian embassy in Washington told the New York Times that the embassy had no knowledge of the book. "Syria is against Zionism not Judaism," the spokesperson said.

According to the Wiesenthal Center, Tlas' book, The Matzah of Zion, constitutes "a dangerous campaign" against the Jewish people. The book is said to be widely distributed in Syria, although it is not available in the libraries or research centres of Western countries, the centre reported.

The book calls the true religious beliefs of the Jews "black hatred to all humanity and all religions," and contains such statements as "from that moment on, every mother was warning her child, do not stray away from home. The Jew may come by and put you in his sack to kill you and suck your blood for the matzah of Zion."

Tlas wrote in the Matzah of Zion, that "I intend through publication of this book, to throw light on some of the secrets of the Jewish religion based on the conduct of the Jews — their blind fanaticism . . ."

Rabbi Marvin Hier, dean of the Weisenthal Center, said: "The fact that such a high ranking cabinet officer of the government of Syria could direct such a campaign of hatred and anti-semitism against the Jewish people is an indication that the Golan Heights dispute is only a smokescreen for the real intentions of the current Syrian regime who would obviously like to rid themselves of any Jewish presence in the Middle East."

But while the blood libel charge is being raised again in Damascus, the Jewish community there is now fewer than 5,000. Jews are required to carry identity cards with the word "Jew" stamped on them, whereas other Syrian citizens do not have their religion written on their papers. Jews have no right to travel abroad, or even outside their own city.

Syrian Jews have their activities monitored, and are subjected to other restrictions, according to sources reporting on Syrian Jewry. "At least in the Soviet Union if a Jew does not want to identify with Israel he is left alone. This is not the case in Syria. It would not be an exaggeration to say that Syrian Jewry live in more distressing circumstances than any other Diaspora community," David Avayou, head of the World Zionist Organization's Sephardi communities department, was quoted as saying recently.

This is a revival of the blood libel against the Jews stemming from what is referred to as the 1840 Damascus blood libel which claimed that Christians were killed by Jews in the Syrian capital and their blood used in preparing the unleavened bread.

At the time, the Syrian Jewish community totaled some 10,000 persons, including many refined and wealthy Jewish families. An investigation into the disappearance of a Capuchin friar, Father Thomas, led to an investigation by the authorities and accusations of Jewish responsibility for the crime.

The Jewish community was subjected to brutal harassment and, in one instance, 60 children of the ages of 3 to 10 were locked in cells without food in order to have their parents make a confession. Several Jews died in prison, one under torture. An international effort brought an end to the campaign against the Jews.

According to the centre's translation of the book, Tlas writes that the West and East alike preceded the Islamic world to recognize the "destructive badness" of the Jewish beliefs and this is why Jews were forced into closed ghettos.

After reviewing the book, officials of the centre contacted government leaders in Washington, Canada, France, West Germany, Great Britain, Italy, and the Vatican and the UN Human Rights Commission requesting that they "formally protest this revival of anti-semitism at the highest levels of the Syrian regime."

Russia-Israel ties proposed

WASHINGTON (JTA)— The Reagan administration has asserted that if the Soviet Union wants to be part of the Middle East peace process it should begin by reestablishing diplomatic relations with Israel.

State department spokesman Bernard Kalb said recently that there is "a long list" of things the Soviet Union can do to "demonstrate a willingness to play a constructive role in the search for a Middle East peace," beginning with "the establishment of relations with the State of Israel."

Kalb would not elaborate on the list, but in the past other items have included increased Jewish emigration and an end to harassment of Soviet Jews.

Kalb's remarks came after he rejected a proposal for a conference on the Middle East made up of the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council — the U.S., Soviet Union, France, United Kingdom and the People's Republic of China.

French President Francoise Mitterand said at a press conference in Moscow after his talks with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev that Gorbachev had suggested the conference. Mitterand indicated his support.

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By
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On July 29, 1937, Palestine labor leader David Ben-Gurion suggested the transfer of Arabs from areas of Jewish rule to those controlled by Arabs. The future Prime Minister demonstrated an ambivalence about them that long predated current feelings.

According to historian Shabtai Teveth's study, *Ben-Gurion and the Palestinian Arabs* (Oxford University Press), BG came to see the local Arabs as a menace when he was threatened at knifepoint within three years of his arrival from eastern Europe. For the first time the young worker came to understand "the severity and dangers of the Arab problem." He soon after wrote: "The Arabs of Palestine are a mortal danger." From 1910-17, he electrified crowds with his vision of an inevitable conflict between Arab and Jewish national aspirations.

A new message

The Balfour Declaration, which seemed to be official British recognition of Jews' hopes to resettle their ancient homeland temporarily obviated the conflict. A piece of land was designated for the Jews, and the Arabs could have everything else in the Middle East. Ben-Gurion turned to a new message — a gracious offer of Arab-Jewish amity and cooperation under his vision of Socialism. Zionism did not mean the expulsion or disinheriting of local Arabs; at most, it would lead to their political neutralization. The British, who wanted to avoid embarrassing confrontations among their subjects, were not displeased.

In 1929, pogroms to individual knifings exhorted by Palestine Arab leader Haj Amin al-Husseini shook the Jews from Hebron to the sea. The Haganah was strengthened. Petitions were made for more effective British protection, which would also encourage more Jewish immigration. Ben-Gurion also made protracted efforts to negotiate with the Haj as well as less authoritative figures like Musa Alami and George Antoninus — to no avail.

Britain's ceding of the bulk of Palestine (its East Bank) to an outcast prince of Arabia, and a number of white papers that in effect penalized the Jews for the outbreaks, encouraged the Arabs further. The British policy of appeasing the strongest by throwing to it the weakest was the fashion in the Middle East as well as Europe.

Violence increases

Anti-Jewish hostilities reached unprecedented heights in 1936. From April to October that year, 91 Jews were killed and 369 wounded in bombings, shootings and arson. By 1938, the Jewish dead totaled 517 men, women and children, with many times that number wounded.

In 1937, Ben-Gurion commented on the Peel partition proposal: "The compulsory transfer of Arabs from the valleys of the proposed Jewish state could give us something which we never had even when we stood on our own during the days of the First and Second Temples — an almost completely Arab-free Galilee, national consolidation in a free homeland." He added: "This transfer will be a full and total satisfaction of their national aspirations."

He explained to his son: "We have never wanted to dispossess the Arabs. But because Britain is giving them part of the country which had been promised to us, it is only fair that the Arabs in our state be transferred to the Arab portion." A second Arab state was not carved out of the original Jewish homeland, although the lands in Judea and Samaria designated for it was gobbled up by the first, Transjordan.

On Oct. 21, 1948, on the eve of the IDF's drive to take over the upper Galil and northern Negev, Ben-Gurion told his oldtime Haganah associate Ezra Danin, then an advisor on Arab affairs at the foreign ministry: "To the Arabs of the land of Israel only one function remains — to run away." In the following days, thousands did leave, to which Ben-Gurion responded: "Many more still will run away." Several months earlier, Egypt and Syria were telling Palestine Arabs to do the same thing, to facilitate conquest.

Transferring the Arabs out, as was done to Jews in Arab lands, was a sentiment held by the most beloved and respected of Israeli leaders long before its current proponents.

Israel touted as NATO "anchor"

WASHINGTON (JTA)— The United States should work toward incorporating Israel as NATO's "strategic anchor" in the eastern Mediterranean and the Middle East, the Heritage Foundation said in a policy paper published recently.

"Washington should integrate Israel discreetly into the global anti-Soviet defence system to strengthen deterrence of the Soviet Union in the strategic area between NATO's southern flank and the Persian Gulf," it was suggested in the paper written by James Phillips, a senior policy analyst for the Washington-based conservative think tank.

"Joint contingency plans should be drawn secretly to keep Moscow and its regional allies guessing about the extent to which Israel is willing to commit itself to containing Soviet aggression in a crisis."

Phillips does not call for a formal defence treaty, since he notes that both countries prefer low key strategic cooperation such as are now in place.

But he proposes specific steps which should be taken. Noting that Israel's location makes it an "unsinkable aircraft carrier," Phillips urged the U.S. to "seek access to Israeli air bases on a contingency basis."

The Sixth Fleet should reduce its dependence "on problematic Greek bases" by increasing its use of Israeli ports and naval repair facilities, Phillips argues. He calls for regular U.S.-Israeli naval and air exercises.

In addition, Phillips urges that "U.S. medicine, fuel, ammunition and weapons should be secretly prepositioned in Israel to facilitate rapid movement to the Persian Gulf or NATO's southern flank if needed. "He calls for increased military intelligence liaison and technical cooperation.

However, he stressed that "an active Israeli role in Persian Gulf contingencies should be minimized to ease Arab anxieties about Israeli involvement and Israeli anxieties about being drawn into conflicts in areas outside the bounds of its vital interests."

At the same time, Phillips argues that "active support of U.S. efforts to help freedom fighters in Central America and Africa would be a powerful demonstration to the American public of Israel's status as a special ally."

Yuzyk "true friend"

TORONTO — **The late Manitoba Senator Paul Yuzyk has been described as "a true friend of the Jewish community," by the board of governors of B'nai B'rith Canada. The senator died recently.**

The board mourns Yuzyk's "untimely passing," said Harry Bick, BB national president. "His contribution and commitment to the enhancement of Jewish-Ukrainian relations in Canada was invaluable," Bick added.

Among Yuzyk's last public appearance was an address to BB's board of governors in Ottawa. The Progressive Conservative senator said that both Ukrainians and Jews had been persecuted under the czarist and Soviet regimes, and that this commonality was a binding one between the two communities.

3 banks in top 500 firms

NEW YORK (JTA — **Three Israeli banking firms are among the 500 largest international companies list in the annual Forbes Foreign 500 rankings. Tel Aviv is also listed among the cities headquartering some of the 500 largest firms.**

According to the prestigious Forbes listing, appearing in its July 28 issue, the three firms are Bank Hapoalim, ranked 51 in 1985 (17 in 1984); Bank Leumi, ranked 98 in 1985 (49 in 1984); and IDB Bankholding Corp., ranked 235 in 1985 (112 in 1984). Tel Aviv is listed as home to these three banks.

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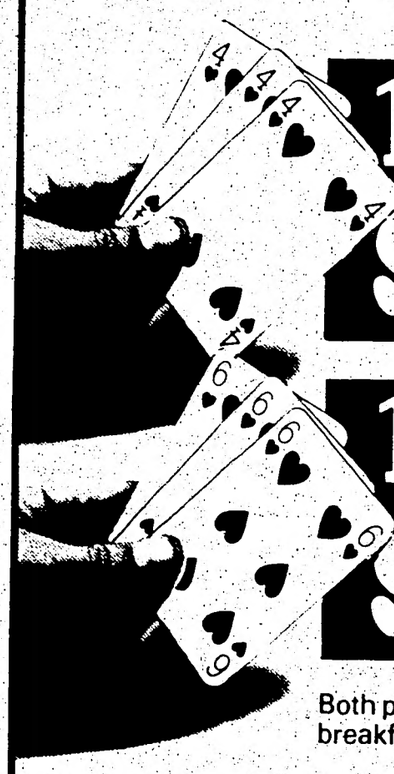

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Editorial

Wise decision

We are pleased with the recent decision to remove Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice from the lower grades in the Waterloo, Ont. high school curriculum (CJN July 17).

Since 1966 individuals from the Jewish community of the Kitchener-Waterloo region have been trying to persuade school authorities not to ban the book (as a recent headline in the Toronto Globe and Mail suggested) but rather to remove it from the junior grades.

Twenty years after the first demarches the school authorities have voted narrowly to respect the wishes of the Jewish petitioners.

The Waterloo school board's decision is bound to raise the hackles of free speech advocates and opponents of censorship.

It should be pointed out that Jewish high schoolers in the Kitchener-Waterloo area were being vilified by their classmates as a direct result of the study of Shakespeare's malevolent classic in the classrooms.

It would be unseemly to rehearse the details of the anti-semitic harassment except to say that it caused Jewish students much distress and anxiety.

Defenders of The Merchant of Venice often argue that Shakespeare's famous play is an ideal medium through which to teach not contempt for Jews but rather respect and compassion for them. It is true, of course, that several sections of the play can be positively parsed so as to reflect this view.

The problem, however, is that The Merchant of Venice is a very tricky medium for the inculcation of humanistic values. Its subtleties are better left to the later grades when more mature students can grapple better with the prejudices and biases that informed Shakespeare's outlook.

The decision of the Waterloo board does not ban Shakespeare from its high schools (there are many other fine plays that can be studied in the junior years); it merely postpones its study until the senior years — a wise choice.

Valuable book

It is a well known fact that many of the physicists involved on the frontiers of their discipline are of Jewish origin. The names Gel-Man, Glashow, Jastrow, Bohm and Teller are but a few of the distinguished Jewish physicists still laboring in the esoterica of their metier.

Recently Prof. Yuval Ne'eman, a Knesset member and a highly respected member of the physics community co-authored a book with a colleague, Dr. Yoram Kitsch.

The book, in Hebrew, was designed to stimulate the interest of people in the exciting world of nuclear physics. The title of their book, Particle Hunters, is partly biographical as it traces the life stories of the physicists who pioneered in the field.

Cambridge University Press became intered in the Ne'eman-Kirsch volume and decided to bring out an English version. In editing the translated version Prof. Ne'eman decided to eliminate some of the references to the Jewish origins of some of the physicists described in his work — out of deference to their possible sensitivities on the subject.

Where the Jewish origins were relevant, such as in the case of Einstein, Ne'eman left the text intact.

Cambridge reviewers urged Ne'eman, however, to eliminate all references to the Jewishness of the physicists under discussion.

Ne'eman answer was: "If no Jews — no book."

There are two observations that must be made about this publishing venture. First, the Hebrew version is now a collector's item with its unabashed identification of modern Jewish physicists. Second, Ne'eman is to be congratulated for asserting Jewish pride even in an adumbrated form.

We look forward to seeing the book.

But they must become "less Jewish"

Jews in "new look" banking

THE JEWISH WORLD

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

White Anglo-Saxon Protestants still dominate top management in America's largest commercial banks, but it is no longer their exclusive preserve.

A study by Korn Ferry International, a New York-based executive search firm, found that Roman Catholics — and Jews — have increased their representation in the upper levels of banking, at the expense of white Protestants, since 1979.

Protestant representation in the executive suite dropped to 58.3% from 68.4%. Catholics went from 21.5% to 27.1%, while Jews rose from 5.6% to 7.4%.

In a related development reported by William Domhoff, a professor of psychology and sociology at the University of California, it was found that the hiring practices of the leading investment houses in New York City had changed.

Until about a decade ago, investment houses were divided between Jewish and non-Jewish firms insofar as their staff was concerned. Domhoff says the segregation and discrimination of yesteryear has vanished, with all the companies competing aggressively for the same people.

Factors in the marketplace account for the "new look" in American banking.

Deregulation has forced large commercial banks to enter new activities, such as securities dealings and real estate, that require skilled personnel. In the old days, the chief activity of big banks was lending to corporations, and bankers dealt primarily with corporate executives whose social and class backgrounds were similar. Today, given all the competition, merit seems more important than family pedigree.

Who has benefited? A recent New York Times survey named names.

Boris Berkovitch is vice-president of Morgan Guaranty Trust. Lawrence Small heads Citicorp's biggest operating division. Robert Lipp is one of Chemical Bank's three vice-presidents. Ernest Stein is Manufacturers Hanover's general counsel, while Martin Zukerman runs its personnel department. Theodore Kesselman and William Epstein are vice-presidents at Bankers Trust.

Jewish bankers who rise in the hierarchy must "become less and less Jewish," William Domhoff says. As he puts it: "Any male in America who takes on the right cultural and stylistic characteristics can rise in his organization."

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Another American progress report: Rabbi Aaron Landes, recently promoted to rear admiral, has been named chief of Naval Reserve chaplains, while Rabbi Arnold Resnicoff has become the first chaplain ever assigned to teach at the Naval War College in Newport, RI.

Meanwhile, Rabbi Julia Schwartz has become the first woman in the Navy to serve on active duty as a Jewish chaplain.

Landes, 56, is spiritual leader of a Conservative synagogue, Beth Sholom, in Elkins Park, Pa. A graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, he has been in the Navy for 30 years. Landes was instrumental in establishing the first Jewish chapel in Norfolk, Va., a major naval installation, and a Jewish chapel at the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Resnicoff served aboard a river patrol boat in Vietnam and later with naval intelligence in Spain. He graduated from the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Schwartz, a Reform Jew, was ordained at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion. She is 26, and graduated last month.

Her appointment has set off a furor. After it was announced, the Orthodox Rabbinical Council of America said it would withdraw from the Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy.

The U.S. defence department unwittingly got embroiled in the mess because it accepts nominations for chaplains without demanding formal endorsements from the Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy.

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For the first time in years, a major new Jewish magazine has appeared in the U.S. A quarterly, Tikkun is published by The Institute for Labor and Mental Health, in Oakland, Ca.

Tikkun, which in Hebrew means to repair or to heal, promotes itself as "a liberal alternative" to the neo-conservative Commentary, sponsored by the American Jewish Committee.

"Radical spirit of the Prophets"

Editor Michael Lerner, in a lengthy editorial statement outlining its goals, writes that Tikkun is for readers "who are still moved by the radical spirit of the Prophets and who insist on keeping their message alive."

He is clearly contemptuous of Commentary's editor, Norman Podhoretz. "With boring predictability, (he) leads the monthly charge of Jewish intellectuals clamoring for respectability by endorsing every move the Reagan administration can dream up."

Tikkun believes that the most "exciting and important" development in contemporary Judaism has been the emergence of a movement for women's liberation.

It is critical of "the official Jewish world" for celebrating its own material success while paying "scant attention" to the poverty of others and to the "spiritual and moral development" of its community.

Committed to Israel, Tikkun aligns itself with the worldview of the religious peace movement there.

Tikkun intends to publish analyses of U.S. and foreign policy, social policy, philosophy, culture, psychology and literature, as well as fiction and poetry.

Further information can be obtained by writing to 5100 Leona St. Oakland, Ca., 94619.

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Enrico Fermi and Werner Heisenberg were scientific geniuses in the forefront of the effort by the U.S. and Nazi Germany to produce an A-bomb. Fermi, an Italian, discovered fission, a process in nature without which atomic power can be harnessed. Heisenberg created quantum physics, one more milepost on the road toward nuclear power. Each won Nobel Prizes for their discoveries.

Enrico Fermi

Time Bomb (Fitzhenry & Whiteside, $28.95) recreates their race. The author is Malcolm MacPherson. The book is based on facts but also on MacPherson's interpretation of fact based on interviews and research.

Both Heisenberg and Fermi were proteges of the Danish Jewish physicist, the great Niels Bohr, who fled to America during the war. Fermi, whose wife was Jewish, left Italy in 1939 after the fascists passed a series of punitive anti-semitic laws. Fermi worked at the University of Michigan and Columbia, and Heisenberg did his work at the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute in Leipzig.

Fermi's wife, Laura, was a member of a thoroughly assimilated, agnostic family. Her father, Augusto Capon, was a decorated rear admiral in the Italian Navy. A short-sighted, naive man, Capon refused to leave Italy, long after Fermi, a Catholic, had seen the writing on the wall.

Capon was arrested by the Germans and deported to Auschwitz, where he perished.

MacPherson says that Heisenberg "neither loved nor hated" Jews and respected their immense contributions to science. He was a nationalist, though not a Nazi, and did Hitler's bidding because he felt so strongly about Germany.

Being an objective scientist, Heisenberg could not, nor would not, dismiss Albert Einstein's theory of relativity. Nazi hacks who wanted to eliminate "Jewish physics" were not thrilled by his attitude and they were behind a scurrilous article in the SS weekly, Das Schwarze Korps, which accused him of being a "white Jew, not a Jew by race" but a Jew "in spirit, inclination and character."

Heisenberg, MacPherson writes, resented the charge, and used his connections to wrest a retraction from Das Schwarze Korps.

Fermi knew Heisenberg quite well, and before the war he tried to convince Heisenberg to immigrate to the U.S., but he was too attached to Germany to make the move.

Back home, Heisenberg worked relentlessly to give Germany the bomb. The Americans never discovered how close he actually came. Moe Berg, a Jewish multilingual former baseball player in the employ of U.S. Intelligence, concluded, incorrectly, that Heisenberg's research was aimed at the production of nuclear energy, not of a bomb.

Berg was not much of a spy, but, fortunately for Western civilization, the Nazis were defeated on the battlefield and Heisenberg and his talented colleagues were outsmarted by Fermi and company.

Time Bomb documents this aspect of World War II with authority and panache.

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Opinion

Ages makes important contribution

French Jewish history brought to life

By
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Arnold Ages is a polymath. He is equally at home in a university as he is in a Beth Hamidrash. Although his academic expertise is in French literature — he is a professor at the University of Waterloo — he is better known in the community as an exponent of Judaism, a journalist and a reviewer of books.

In his life and in his work he epitomizes the formula of modern Orthodoxy at its best: Torah im derech erets, holy study and Jewish observance combined with "the way of the world."

Ages' knowledge of both French literature and Judaism has been fused in his latest academic publication, *The Image of Jews and Judaism in the Prelude to the French Enlightenment* (Editions Naaman, Sherbrooke, Que., $22). The book is available in Canada through John Coutts Library Services Ltd. (6900 Kinsmen Court, PO Box 1000, Niagara Falls, Ont., L2E 7E7 and at Toronto's Negev Book Store. It is a serious study of the treatment of Jews and Judaism in a crucial period in French history.

What follows is a discussion from a particular perspective, namely as a fascinating case study in the emergence of modern anti-semitism. The book is also and primarily, of course, an important contribution to the understanding of the history and the literature of the period, but that is beyond the scope of this article.

The period is 1685-1715. In 1685 the edict of Nantes — promulgated almost a century earlier to secure a large measure of religious liberty to the Protestants in France — was repealed. In 1715 Louis XIV died. The last three decades of the reign of the Sun King are generally regarded as the prelude to the Enlightenment period; they stand, as it were, as a gateway of modernity.

The Enlightenment transformed European thought by finally separating it from religious constraints. It culminated in the French Revolution in 1789 which in turn fundamentally altered European political and social life. The Enlightenment had a decisive impact on the American Revolution. For us Jews it brought in the Age of Emancipation.

It was a period of intense and intensive preoccupation with religion, including Judaism. But for all the daring challenges to old beliefs, virtually nothing that was written seems to have sought to alter the old stereotypes. Ages writes:

"In undertaking the monitoring of the literature of the prelude period we had expected to find evidence of a new tolerance and liberal thinking which animated much of the secular writings which led to the Age of Enlightenment. We found almost the exact opposite."

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To understand why that is so is to fathom something of the nature of anti-Judaism. Two aspects, both discussed in detail in the book under review, deserve our special attention.

First: whenever different groups in a society are in dispute with each other, the Jews get it from all sides. In the period 1685-1715 the church was challenged theologically and institutionally. It almost invariably defended itself by claiming to be the rightful heir of the biblical covenant between God and Israel. It was theological imperialism at its most virulent — at the expense of Judaism.

The fact that Catholics and Protestants were at loggerheads and often offered very different interpretations of the same biblical texts made little difference as far as Jews were concerned: they and their faith were attacked, denigrated and held up to ridicule by both sides.

In Ages' words: "The literature which we have surveyed, with minor exceptions, arraigns Jews and Judaism before the ecclesiastical court of Christianity and finds both guilty of grievous sins."

This created an interesting problem for Christian writers: they had to defend the Hebrew Bible as the source of their own legitimacy as Christians — what was promised to Israel has been fulfilled in the church — and, at the same time, as the book that denigrated Jews and Judaism — what was once given to Israel has now been taken away and given to Christians.

Arnold Ages offers a fascinating survey of this theological double-think.

The opponents of Christian dogma were not kinder to Judaism either. One of the most interesting among them, Pierre Bayle, is described by Ages as "the quintessential precursor of advanced ideas." Yet he "entertains views on Jews and Judaism which are basically the same as medieval adversaries of Jewish belief."

The reason for this is not difficult to find. Opponents of Christianity were at times inhibited to attack it openly. They found it much easier to hold up Judaism to ridicule and thus, by inference, seek to discredit Christianity. Bayle, for example, according to Ages, "offered his analysis of Judaism in order to sap Christianity of its foundation stone."

Much of the anti-Judaism of the philosophers of the Englightenment has its roots in this strategy. It may also be one of the sources for Freud's understanding of anti-semitism as the Christian's misplaced hostility to his own faith. It is when Christians are "badly baptized" that they turn against the people from the midst of which the founder of Christianity — and thus the source of their discomfort — came.

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The reader will also learn from the book about a second aspect of anti-semitism: the more ideas are accessible to the general public — a sure and welcome sign of enlightenment — the more likely is the same public to be incited to hate, which is the other side of the coin that is modernity.

The period 1685-1715 saw the emergence of the French language as the lingua franca (in itself a significant expression!) of Europe. As a result, medieval anti-semitic ideas were now easily accessible to the public. Whereas before they were only to be found in Latin tracts, which only the schooled could read, they were now available in French.

The irony does not escape Ages when he writes that "It is during the period called the prelude to the Enlightenment, that for the first time in European civilization Christianity's unenlightened views of Jews and Judaism are transmitted to the public in the main international language."

Dr. Ages has written a scholarly book, rescued for the general reader by the author's light touch of the pen. It can be read by the non-expert, despite the many (untranslated) quotations in the original French. It should be read by every Jew who wants to understand anti-semitism from the inside, both in its religious and in its anti-religious garb, and to recognize why modernity is both an opportunity to eradicate it and a tool for spreading it.

Arnold Ages

Guarding the coast against terrorists

The failed attempt by a group of terrorists earlier this month to enter Israel by sea near the northern border can perhaps be explained by this article by VIC ALHADEFF who reports on the coastal defence system.

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The sea is one of the most popular routes for terrorist infiltration into Israel and has been since the 1970s. As more than 80% of the country's population lives in the region bordering the Mediterranean, and oil refineries, power stations and other installations are located in this area, it is hardly surprising that the Israeli Navy has established a sophisticated coastal defence system comprising sea, air and land units which operate around the clock and constitute a key facet of a compact but lethally powerful force which has to its credit the only missile-to-missile victory in naval warfare.

The core of the network is an early-warning system stationed on shore and developed by Elita Electronics of Ashdod, a subsidiary of Israel Aircraft Industries. The device uses multiple radar beams which detect small objects at close range and large craft at great distances and in choppy waters. The instrument, with its array of computers, radars and communications equipment, is controlled largely by female members of the IDF.

The key arm of Israel's defence is the surveillance Seascan aircraft which log up thousands kilometres in long range patrols in concert with helicopters which function close to shore. The aircraft, flown by air force personnel under overall naval command, are manufactured locally by Israel Aircraft Industries and in fact are an adaptation of the Westwind executive jet which recently won international awards for speed records.

Backing up the aerial operation "on the ground" is a small fleet of Israeli-built vessels which combine technological sophistication with accuracy and, in the case of one craft in particular, awesome speed. The heavily-armed Snapirit is a sleek-looking hydrofoil that operates in all weather with a top speed of 52 knots (100 kilometres an hour), which is twice as fast as the navy's other boats and able to outpace with ease the speedboats usually used by terrorists.

Two of the mainstays are the renowned Reshef and Saar missile boats, equipped with Israeli and American-produced missiles and carrying ultra-modern detection equipment. They venture well beyond territorial waters to sneak through. Complementing them is the Aliyah missile boat, whose distinctive feature is the helicopter which it carries, vastly enhancing its effectiveness in searching and if necessary, attacking.

The other vessel which shares the responsibility of keeping the waters clean is the 35-ton 6-man Hornet (Dabur), armed with machine guns and 20-millimetre cannon and prepared to give chase at a moment's notice at the slighest hint of approaching craft. Most pursuits invariably turn out to be false alarms.

There is yet another weapon in the navy's defensive arsenal and that is the frogman, a small unit of men who rank among the most superbly trained individuals in the IDF.

Numerous attempts by terrorists to launch attacks from the sea were foiled by the navy in 1985, the would-be infiltrators being apprehended in possession of anti-tank weapons — which can be deployed against boats — and katyusha rockets, and traveling on motorboats, rafts or rubber dinghies with outboard motors launched from merchant ships several miles out. The Al Fatah ship Atavirus which was sunk 100 miles from Israel's shore carried 28 terrorists whose mission was to hijack a bus and attack IDF headquarters in Tel Aviv.

In 1978 terrorists landed by sea, seized a bus and killed 33 passengers. With the memory of this tragedy always there, the Israel Navy has to maintain a state of maximum alert at all times with a capability to strike lethally. It has no other choice.

AT THE OLD BALL GAME...

LOOKING INTO THE PAST: An undated Canadian Jewish Congress National Archives photo shows Prime Minister Lester Pearson, Samuel Bronfman and Governor-General Roland Michener at an Expos Game in Jerry Park in Montreal.

Opinion

Few signs remind visitor of past glories

Vienna: once vibrant centre of Jewish creativity

(Sixth of a series on Austria)

By

SHELDON KIRSHNER

VIENNA —

The ghosts of the Jewish past haunt Vienna, a stately city now nearly bereft of Jews.

There was a time, not that long ago, when Vienna was one of the most important capitals in the Diaspora. Before the onslaught of Nazism, Vienna was a place where the flower of Jewish creativity in every conceivable field of human endeavor bloomed.

Today, more than 40 years after the Nazis carried out their last deportation of Jews from Vienna, there are relatively few signs reminding a visitor of what used to be.

The glory that was pre-war Jewish Vienna is kept alive in old buildings, plaques, street markers and in the minds of people with long memories.

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By the early 1930s, when the threat of German National Socialism seemed imminently real to some and far off to others, Jews comprised about 8% of Vienna's population.

Despite being a minority, Jews played a dominant role in practically all aspects of life in Vienna. It is probably fair to say that the influence they exercised here was far more pervasive than Jews exercise in the U.S. today.

Jews were granted full civic equality in 1848, but it was not until 1867 that Jewish emancipation was made permanent by law. Now able to let their energy, talent and imagination run free, Jews took advantage of the relatively liberal political and social climate in Austria, and, in unprecedented numbers, entered professions like law and medicine.

Hans Kelsen, a professor of constitutional law at the University of Vienna, wrote Austria's post-1918 constitution, the tenets of which were incorporated into its present-day constitution.

Robert Barany won the Nobel Prize in physiology, and another Nobel Prize laureate, Karl Landsteiner, discovered the four main human blood types. Sigmund Freud opened up new horizons in psychiatry.

They were prominent in every facet of capitalism. They published newspapers; they ran banks; they owned factories.

Arguably, they made their greatest mark in the arts. There were writers like Arthur Schnitzler, Franz Werfel and Stefan Zweig. There were stage directors and actors like Max Reinhardt and Elizabeth Bergner. And there were musicians like Arnold Schonberg, Gustav Mahler, Carl Goldmark, Artur Schnabel and Bruno Walter.

Vienna was a centre of modern Zionism.

Theodor Herzl, the author of *The Jewish State*, lived and worked in Vienna. As a correspondent in Paris for the Neue Freie Presse, he was converted to Zionism by the notorious Dreyfus Affair. Vienna, for a while, became the headquarters of the Zionist executive.

Peretz Smolenskin, one of the fathers of the Zionist reawakening, resided in Vienna. And Nathan Birnbaum founded the first Jewish nationalist student association, Kadimah, here.

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At the height of the Jewish renaissance, Vienna was home to approximately 170,000 Jews. The less successful ones lived in the first district, now a prime shopping area, and the better-off ones were concentrated in the ninth district, the site of the venerable University of Vienna.

Renovated interior of Vienna's Seitenstettengasse Synagogue, gutted by Nazis.

The 1938 Anschluss, the annexation of Austria into Germany, spelled finis to the Jewish community.

Nazi Germany, having devastated German Jewry, proceeded to humiliate and disenfranchise the Jews of Austria.

Jews lost their livelihood, their synagogues were burned on Crystal Night, and they were forced out of the country. Many emigrated, but 65,000 would not or could not leave, and by 1945 they had been killed.

Today, 41 years after the downfall of the Third Reich, Vienna is like a Jewish mausoleum.

In Juden Platz, once a choice address for wealthier Jewish families, there are non-sectarian restaurants and shops, as well as masses of parked cars. The Judengasse, formerly the centre of Jewish commercial activity, is just like any other street in contemporary Vienna: The Jewish names are gone.

In a little park near the Judengasse, a plaque commemorates the Jewish victims of the Holocaust. This was where the luxurious Hotel Metropol, the headquarters of the Gestapo, stood. During the war, Allied bombers destroyed it.

Up the street, you can find the magnificent Seitenstettengasse Synagogue. An impressive structure with a starry blue dome, it was built in 1826, concealed behind an apartment house on a narrow, cobblestoned street.

The Nazis, in their maniacal effort to eradicate all traces of Jewish culture, tried to burn it to the ground. The arsonists damaged the interior considerably, only dousing the fire because they feared it would spread to the rest of the neighborhood.

In 1963, the synagogue — the site of a 1981 Palestinian terrorist attack which resulted in three deaths — was renovated.

The area around it has become a fashionable, somewhat bohemian nightspot. There is a kosher restaurant, the Arche Noah, but it's fallen on hard times because few Jewish tourists are visiting Vienna in the wake of the Waldheim affair. And there is an Israeli restaurant, Mapitome, a non-kosher facility which attracts a young, beautiful clientele.

Compared to Vienna's other synagogues, the Seitenstettengasse Synagogue suffered a rather mild fate. The so-called Polish synagogue, constructed in a Moorish-Byzantine style, was firebombed. A featureless housing estate stands on its site.

There is a vacant lot on Grosse Schiffgasse, and a glimpse through the fence reveals rotting car chassis, fruit trees growing wild and a rusting crane. This is where the Schiffschule, the synagogue of Vienna's Hungarian Jews, stood.

The Turkischer Tempel, where Vienna's Sephardic Jews worshipped, is now nothing more than a weed-choked lot behind a wall of billboards.

The Grosser Tempel, designed by one of Vienna's foremost architects, Ludwig Frankl, is occupied by a car park.

Sigmund Freud's house, on 19 Berggasse, has not met such a sorrowful fate. Now a museum, in the ninth district, it chronicles his life and career through the medium of photographs, letters and documents.

Freud, who emigrated from Vienna a year before he died, lived in this apartment building from 1891 until 1938.

There is a framed photo of Freud posing with his children, and one of the great man obviously enjoying himself in the German alpine resort of Berchtesgaden, which Hitler favored.

When Freud was 70, he was honored by B'nai B'rith. Freud, in a letter, recalled the event by commenting on his Jewishness: "What tied me to Judaism was — I have to admit it — was not the faith, not even the national pride, for I was always an unbeliever... But there remained enough to make the attraction of Judaism and the Jews irresistible."

The saddest picture is of Freud's aged mother and her daughters in an Austrian resort, circa 1925, on the occasion of her 90th birthday. The faces are neither sad nor happy, and they look down at you from the immense distance of another era. Most of the people in the photograph were murdered in Auschwitz and Theresienstadt.

The Freud museum reinforces the belief that Jewish Vienna, or what is left of it, cannot be seen outside the context of the Holocaust. Leon Zelman is one man who firmly believes this. Zelman, a Polish survivor who lost his whole family in the war, runs the state-subsidized Jewish Welcome Service, which encourages Jews and non-Jews alike to explore Vienna's Jewish legacy.

"Austria wants to forget the Holocaust," he says, "but Austria does not want to forget the contribution of Jews to this country."

"Hitler killed the Jews of Austria, but we will not allow him to kill off the spiritual Jewish life of Vienna," he adds.

In that optimistic spirit, the Jewish Welcome Service publishes an annual book on various facets of Jewish Vienna and organizes occasional exhibitions.

Last year, Zelman, in conjunction with London's Institute of Jewish Affairs, mounted Vienna's biggest postwar Jewish festival. Entitled The Lost World, it revolved around the photos of Roman Vishniac, the Polish Jewish photographer who captured the essence of East European Jewry before the Nazi calamity.

The mayor of Vienna, Helmut Zilk, tendered a kosher reception in the city's gothic city hall, and the speech he delivered best sums up the wonderful, but erratic, symbiotic relationship that arose between the Jews and Vienna in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

"No history of Vienna," he said, "would be complete if it did not include an account of the city's Jewish community, which has perhaps done more than any other group... to mould its cultural and intellectual life.

"Vienna owes a profound debt of gratitude to its Jewish residents."

Sigmund Freud

Arnold Schonberg

Theodor Herzl

Arthur Schnitzler

Opinion

Timely wisdom from the sages

It's summertime again and also Peirik time

By
J. B. SALSBERG

Well, my faithful readers, it's that time of the year again — that longed-for period when summer, real summer, has at last arrived for its brief Canadian visit. So, let's all give a hearty welcome (a Baruch Habah) to our dear guest.

J.B. Salsberg

Of course we all know that summer's visit to us is a short one, but for Canadians, even that short visit is something to be grateful for. After all beggars can't be choosers.

Now, speakers are often ridiculed for saying "Ladies and gentlemen, before I begin to speak I would like to say a few words." However, I would like to address a brief advice to the handful of pedantic readers who are happiest when they can (or think they can) find a reason for offering a correction. To them I wish to say that I know that others spell "Peirik" (which means chapter) as "Perek," and "Pirkei Oves" as "Pirke Avoth." But I prefer to use the Polish-Jews' pronunciation of those Hebrew words. If it was kosher for the millions of our ancestors it is surely kosher for me.

So, my dear pedants, stop being pedantic. Now we can proceed to deliver "the speech."

As all our discriminating readers know, it has become an almost hallowed tradition in this space to present excerpts from the Peirik, the book of moral and ethical teachings, which has been read and studied by young and old every Saturday afternoon from "time immemorial." This is usually the issue of this paper before the overworked staff "shuts down shop" for two weeks to allow those fine people an opportunity to relax and to "recharge their batteries." This is the pre-vacation issue and, therefore, the Peirik issue.

So, my patient readers, after those "few words" we shall let the sages speak:

• Jose, the son of Johanan, of Jerusalem, said: Let thy house be open wide; let the poor be members of thy household, and engage not in much gossip . . . (My uncle Eliezer and I agreed to "censor" Jose, the ancient sage, because, according to text, he is alleged to have said: "Gossip with women." We just can't believe that he, Jose, was a "male chauvinist."

• Shemaiah said: Love labor, hate lordship, and seek no intimacy with those in authority. (Uncle Eliezer asks — did he refer to politicians?)

• Hillel (a truly giant of a figure) said: If I'm not for myself, who will be for me? And being for my own self, what am I? And, if not now, when?

• Simon, the son of Gamaliel said (among others): . . . Not learning but doing is the chief thing.

• Eleazar, the son of Hyrcanus, was the outstanding student of Rabban Johanan, the son of Zaccai, and he, Eleazar, said: What is most desirable in man is a **good heart** (morally speaking) and what is most undesirable in man? **a bad (evil) heart.** The master, Ben Zaccai, agreed with Eleazar.

• Rabbi Mendel of Kotzk (Der Kotzker Rebbe), a chassidic figure I greatly admire, said: The souls descended from heaven to earth on a ladder. Then it was taken away. Now, up there, they are calling the souls home. Some do not budge from the spot, for how can one get to Heaven without a ladder? Others leap and fall, and leap again and give up. But there are those who know very well that they cannot make it, but try and try, over and over again until God catches hold of them and pulls them up.

• The beloved Rabbi Levi Yitzchak, the Berditchever, the great defender of Jews (who referred to himself as Levi Yitzchak, the son of Sarah) often argued with the Lord during his sermons. On one such occasion he said: Lord of the world! Israel are your head-phylacteries. When the phylacteries of a simple Jew fall to the ground, he picks them up carefully, cleans them and kisses them. Lord, your phylacteries have fallen to the ground . . .

• The Baal Shem Tov (1700-1760), the founder of chassidism, was on a journey, accompanied by a number of his disciples. According to "the Maggid of Zlotchov," who was on that journey, the following happened:

On that journey our teacher, Rabbi Israel Baal Shem Tov, went into the woods to say the Afternoon Prayers. Suddenly we saw him strike his head against a tree and cry out. Later we asked him about it. He the (Baal Shem Tov) said: While I plunged into the holy spirit I saw that in the generations, which precede the coming of the Messiah, the rabbis of the chassidim will multiply like locusts, and it will be they who delay redemption, for they will bring about the separation of hearts and groundless hatred!

Upon reading the above my uncle Eliezer cried out: "How prophetic! The Baal Shem must have seen what is now happening in some (but not all) sections of Williamsburg, NY and Mea Shearim, in Jerusalem!" But I really puzzled my uncle by suggesting that if the Baal Shem's vision of the future fits the reality of our time then Lubavitch may be right that we are at ther doorstep of the Messianic Age! After a few moments of deep thought my uncle replied meditatively, "Halevai."

And now I say — have a pleasant and restful summer.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English or French, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters, which must bear the sender's address, phone number and handwritten signature.

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STRIDENT LETTERS OFFENSIVE

Reluctant as I am to join the clash among Jews of different religious expression, I cannot remain silent about your recent rash of letters.

I'm appalled that such offensive letters are published. I favor freedom of expression, but not strident invective.

Dialogue is impossible with intractable people who believe only they are authentic Jews; they would exclude most of us from Judaism.

Better to strive for tolerance and harmony than uniformity; then we will find ways of accommodating our differences, thereby enriching our lives.

We are people and must not exclude each other.

Lynn Davidow
Montreal

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"WALDHEIM NOT PROVEN GUILTY"

Re the current Kurt Waldheim affair, accusing Austria's new president of having participated in Nazi war crimes:

There is a presumption in law that a person is innocent until proven guilty. This is the crux of the matter.

Circumstantial interpretation of motives, assumed knowledge of crimes, psychoanalytical evaluations of so-called lapses of memory, or physical presence in the area of atrocities committed, is no proven, factual evidence of crimes perpetrated by an individual.

Until the culpability of Waldheim has been unequivocally established, it would be infinitely advisable that his critics cease to be process-servers and adjudicators.

This should not be interpreted as a defence of Waldheim. On the contrary it is a plea for an objective approach to this overblown affair.

This writer, having suffered by the 1938 Anschluss, and the torment of the subsequent Nazi years, is more familiar with the enormity of crimes committed by the Nazis than the demagogues spewing forth innuendos from a safe haven on this continent.

L. Matyas
Montreal

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RASKY WOOD-BE FIR CRITIC?

You will find enclosed a sample nosh of fresh-cut Douglas fir for the eat-ification of your staff reporter, Frank Rasky.

Rasky claimed (June 19 in covering "Vancouver's exhilarating Expo 86") that, while the corned beef was good at Leon's Kosher Korner in Vancouver, the rye bread tasted like Douglas fir.

May we humbly question how Rasky became acquainted with the taste of Douglas fir? And how long he has had such a unique earth-bound penchant?

Also, what are his qualifications as an expert on edible trees?

May we also point out to your wood-be reporter that, here in BC, we are justifiably proud of our Douglas fir.

So perhaps we down-home Western folk just like the chips off the old block at our local kosher butchery-deli-bakery.

But you know what? You won't find a more sophisticated, well-traveled community anywhere in the world than ours right here in Vancouver.

I dare say we've tasted bread all over the globe. And we like Leon's European rye and his caraway rye.

And his water challah! Mama mia! Just the greatest.

So come in — but have a heart and don't do it like Rasky did, just before closing!

But come most days, most times, when there is some bread to choose from. You might find, after all, that under the bark, so to speak, we have evergreen taste in common.

M. Wenger
Richmond, BC

Frank Rasky replies: In my own lumbering way, as a connoisseur of every kind of cuisine, I dutifully tasted the cellophane-wrapped sample of Douglas fir submitted for my assessment. My humiliating verdict: It tastes, not like Leon's kosher rye bread, but rather like the crow I've occasionally had to eat during my career as a wood-be gastronomic critic.

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A BOUQUET TO A BAKERY

Consider this a paean to a *haymishe* bakery in Metro Toronto's North York.

It's a poem in non-rhyme form.

I live in the Bathurst Manor.

And this is where a fair share of my life is centred.

I get my jogging done at William Lyon Mac track.

I *daven* at the Beth Emeth.

I shop at the Plaza not too far away.

A wonderful store there caters to more than just a customer's nourishment needs.

They cater in hospitality.
They cater in smiles.
They cater in friendship.

Just a handful of women work, there.

Yet they offer people like me a neighborhood of good feelings.

They are Isaac's.

And this little poem is a customer's appreciation.

Stephen Elliot Lipton
Toronto

Reader salutes the 150th anniversary of the publication of Hans Christian Andersen's first collection of fairy tales. A fan sits on the lap of his statue at Copenhagen Town Hall.

SALUTES FAIRY TALE WRITER

In your July 3 travel section, you published an article by James Montagnes headed "Denmark celebrates Hans Christian Anderson: Special events mark 150th anniversary of fairy tales."

The great fairy tale writer's name should, of course, be spelled *Andersen.*

I'm surprised that Montagnes, as the travel writer for a Jewish publication, did not find it appropriate to mention that Andersen for many years lived as a happy boarder in a Jewish home.

I think this piece of information should be of interest to Jewish people who, like most of the literary world, loved Andersen's fairy tales.

J. Bailin
Toronto

Editor's note: Sorry about that. We join Danes — as well as children around the world — in saluting the immortal Andersen (1805 to 1875). An impoverished poet, a failure as an actor, he will live forever as the peerless storyteller of such classics as The Red Shoes, The Ugly Duckling and The Little Mermaid.

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HERZL'S FRIEND, REV. HECHLER

I am currently writing a book on the life of Rev. William Henry Hechler (1845-1931), the Anglican priest who rendered invaluable assistance to Theodor Herzl while he was chaplain at the British embassy in Vienna.

I would be interested in corresponding with anyone who knew Hechler, or who possesses any unwritten material that will shed further light on his life and Zionist activities.

Please write me at my Israel address below.

David Pileggi
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Jerusalem

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JEWISH COOKBOOK HISTORY

As a professor at the Tisch School of the Arts at New York University, writing a history of Jewish cookbooks, I'm trying to establish a complete list of titles and, where possible, to acquire them.

I have identified about 350 printed Jewish cookbooks (1835-1986) and 17 Jewish cookery manuscripts thus far.

On the basis of these materials, the earliest item is an 18th century Yiddish manuscript. The earliest printed books appeared in German in 1835, in English in 1846, and in Yiddish in 1896.

I am also interested in women's magazines and other popular periodicals for, or read by, Jewish women that dealt with food, domestic science, housekeeping, etc., especially in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

If you are aware of pertinent material, or of others working on this or related topics, please contact me.

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SEEKS LITHUANIAN FAMILY

I am searching for a Davidson family, originally Dovidovitch, from either Panevyzs or Pagiriai or Ukmerge, cities all in Lithuania.

I am trying to establish a genealogical connection with my Ovseovitch/Feinberg family. Please contact me.

Ferne Mittleman
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Williamsville, NY 14221

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RAZZED FOR RAVE STORY

I would like to express our gratitude for the story you printed about our budding company, T.L.C. Carpet & Upholstery Cleaners. Since the article appeared, we have had the pleasure of serving dozens of satisfied customers a la The Canadian Jewish News.

We would also like to thank reporter Paul Lungen for a job well done. Not only was his piece exceptionally well written, but it was extremely thorough and adhered strictly to the facts.

I go on record, however, as saying that I will never forgive him for all the merciless razzing I am forced to endure at the hands of my friends ever since Paul referred to me as the generic "nice Jewish boy!"

Phil Drash
Toronto

World-National

Sandinistas rapped for anti-semitism

By
JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON —
Research sponsored by prominent Americans self-described as "friends of the Democratic Centre in Central America" has found only one professed Jew remains in Sandinista-governed Nicaragua — a septuagenarian named Jaime Levy who claims French citizenship.

"The entire community of individuals who identify themselves as Jews fled Nicaragua, with the exception of one individual, leaving behind almost all their property," the research report said.

"The flight was motivated by threats and abuse directed against them as Jews, as well as by persecution that they suffered in common with many Gentile businessmen. But clearly not all persons involved in business were harassed and threatened in the manner of the Jews," it added.

The research was conducted by Joshua Mauravcik, an authority on human rights who is a fellow-in-residence at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy; Susan Alberts, a former human right rights lobbyist for Americans for Democratic Action, and Anthony Korenstein, research director of the National Jewish Coalition.

They were commissioned by PRODEMCO, a "non-partisan citizens' group." Angier Biddle Duke is chairman of its national council whose members include Morris Abram, head of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations; Philip Baum, American Jewish Congress; the Rev. Theodore Hessburgh, president of Notre Dame; philosopher Sidney Hook;

Clark Kerr, president emeritus of the University of California; former U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Jeane Kirkpatrick; Boston University President John Silber, former Treasurey Secretary William Simon, Actress Liv Ullman, Ben Wattenberg of the Coalition for a Democratic Majority; and author Elie Wiesel, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council.

PRODEMCO said its report "is based on direct interviews with 13 of 17 Jewish exile families now living in the U.S. and Central America. The total 17 families constitutes virtually the entire active Jewish population of Nicaragua.

The report said, "it is sometimes alleged that Jews left Nicaragua after the revolution because they lost their positions or their property — or that the Sandinistas may have turned against them simply because they sought to retain privileges they supposedly enjoyed under the old (Somoza) regime.

"In fact, the Sandinistas' hostility to the Jews was evident well before the revolution, and Jews were given no opportunity to make peace with the new regime. Harassment of Jews by the FSLN began during the year prior to its seizure of power.

"Our finding," the report stated, "is that Sandinista anti-semitism is not motivated by traditional religious reasoning or the more radical and racist theories of the Nazis, it is anti-semitism all the same. Jew hatred is not a central tenet of Sandinista ideology. Nevertheless, they persecuted the Jews as Jews, with no apparent regard for the views or activities of individual Jews."

"These simple facts have been denied by some Americans, including some American Jews, who are eager to deflect criticism of the Sandinistas," it added.

"Some of those who dismiss the charge of Sandinista anti-semitism are evidently troubled because it has been used to support U.S. aid to the Nicaraguan resistance forces — a policy with which they disagree," the report said. "But as Jaime Levy's son, Gabriel put it to us from his home in Houston, "you can be against what President (Ronald) Reagan is doing in Nicaragua, but that's no reason to deny the truth about what happened to the Jews."

The report said, "We found no reason to doubt the veracity of any of the individuals we interviewed. The only challenge to their accounts come from the Sandinistas or their sympathizers. On the other hand, we found evidence of mendacity on the part of the Sandinistas."

Citing examples of "mendacity," the report said the Sandinistas first claimed that the Managua synagogue was confiscated because it had been the personal property of Abraham Gorn, but records show clearly that it was the communal property of the congregation."

As an example of "manipulation," the report said "the Jewish Human Rights delegation that visited Nicaragua in August of 1984 on behalf of the New Jewish Agenda met more than once with Mateo Guerrero, a top staff member of the government-sponsored Nicaraguan Commission for Human Rights.

Guerrero, now a refugee himself, told us that he had been summoned by Deputy Foreign Minister Victor Hugo Tinoco in advance of the delegation's arrival and simply "instructed to tell them that there had been no persecution of Jews."

HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

Hunter of Nazis Beate Klarsfeld, who helped find war criminal Klaus Barbie, is presented an honorary fellowship of Beth Hatefutsoth by Knesset speaker Shlomo Hillel (right), as Jewish Agency chairman Arye Dulzin looks on. [IPPA photo]

Sunday law ruled unconstitutional

TORONTO —
Ontario's Retail Business Holidays Act governing Sunday shopping hours was recently ruled unconstitutional when a Provincial Court judge dismissed charges against a Toronto business for remaining open on Sunday.

In dismissing the charges against a Factory Carpet outlet, Judge Maurice Charles said the act violated section 2 of the Charter of Rights, guaranteeing freedom of conscience and religion and section 15 which provides for equality before the law regardless of religious belief.

"This law blatantly discriminates against Buddhists, Muslims, atheists or anyone else whose religious holiday doesn't happen to be Sunday," Charles said.

Peter Griffiths, an assistant crown attorney, said he will recommend an appeal of the judge's decision.

By ruling the act unconstitutional, Charles rejected a 1984 decision by the Ontario Court of Appeal that the act is constitutional — a decision which was appealed to the Supreme Court of Canada in March.

The High Court heard and reserved judgment on the appeals of Longo Brothers Fruit Market, Edwards Books and Art Ltd., and furrier Paul Magder, after government lawyers defended the law against charges that it violated the constitutional guarantee of freedom of religion.

Israel's Dor acquires Newfoundland refinery

ST. JOHN'S —
Dor Chemicals Ltd. of Israel has bought the bankrupt Come-by-Chance refinery for the nominal price of $2 with conditions not known at press time in an agreement concluded with Petro-Canada after months of negotiations, the CBC National has reported.

Dor wants to turn the refinery, which was scheduled for demolition, into a petrochemical plant and is expected to seek grants and loans from the Newfoundland and federal government, the report said.

Petro-Canada had allowed two deadlines for demolition to pass at the request of the Newfoundland government to allow the Israeli company to come up with an acceptable proposal.

The refinery, which has been idle for 10 years, was bought by Petro-Canada for $15 million in 1981 and has since spent some $20 million on its upkeep. The provincial government has said it could cost tens or even hundreds of millions of dollars to reactivate it.

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Organizations and People

Growing up in Huntsville

Centennial birthday brings back fond memories

By
ESTHER FISHER

TORONTO —
This year, as Huntsville, Ont., celebrates its 100th birthday, Dora Track of Toronto remembers growing up there when her father Morris Ginsburg, and uncles Al, Israel and Sam played a prominent part in the civic and mercantile affairs of this Muskoka community.

In 1913, Track's grandfather, Max Ginsburg, a Russian immigrant who had been the Odessa agent for Massey Harris agricultural machinery, came to Toronto and decided to try his hand at dairy farming near Bolton. The farm didn't prosper, so with his son Al, he opened a restaurant on Spadina Ave., while Israel and Morris ran a feed store on Centre Ave.

"In 1916," says Track, "my uncle heard that potatoes were cheap in Huntsville and went there to investigate. I don't know what happened to the potatoes, but my father and his brother Israel moved to Huntsville, bought the general store from a family named Silverman, and operated the Huntsville Trading Co. until the early 40s."

At that time they turned the business over to the employees in a cooperative arrangement, believed to be the first such venture in Canada. The company is still in business, now under new ownership.

In 1919, brother Al joined them and thereafter the family took a keen interest in building the community. Morris and Al served on the Town Council. Al headed the police committee, was chairman of finance, and was involved in establishing Huntsville as a winter sports centre.

In 1933, he was honored with a special award for his contribution to amateur sports in Ontario. Israel was elected mayor of Huntsville in 1930; and from 1933 to 1958, Sam operated Muskoka Lodge at Port Sydney. What was to become a thriving Jewish summer resort had "restricted clientele" in its brochure before Sam bought the hotel, Track notes.

Track, who was 2 years of age when she and her mother joined her father in Huntsville, says, "Everyone in town knew we were Jewish; we observed Passover and went to Toronto for the High Holidays, but I seldom was aware of any overt discrimination, except that I do remember a classmate at school refer the family business as the Jew store. . . .

Tourism flourished

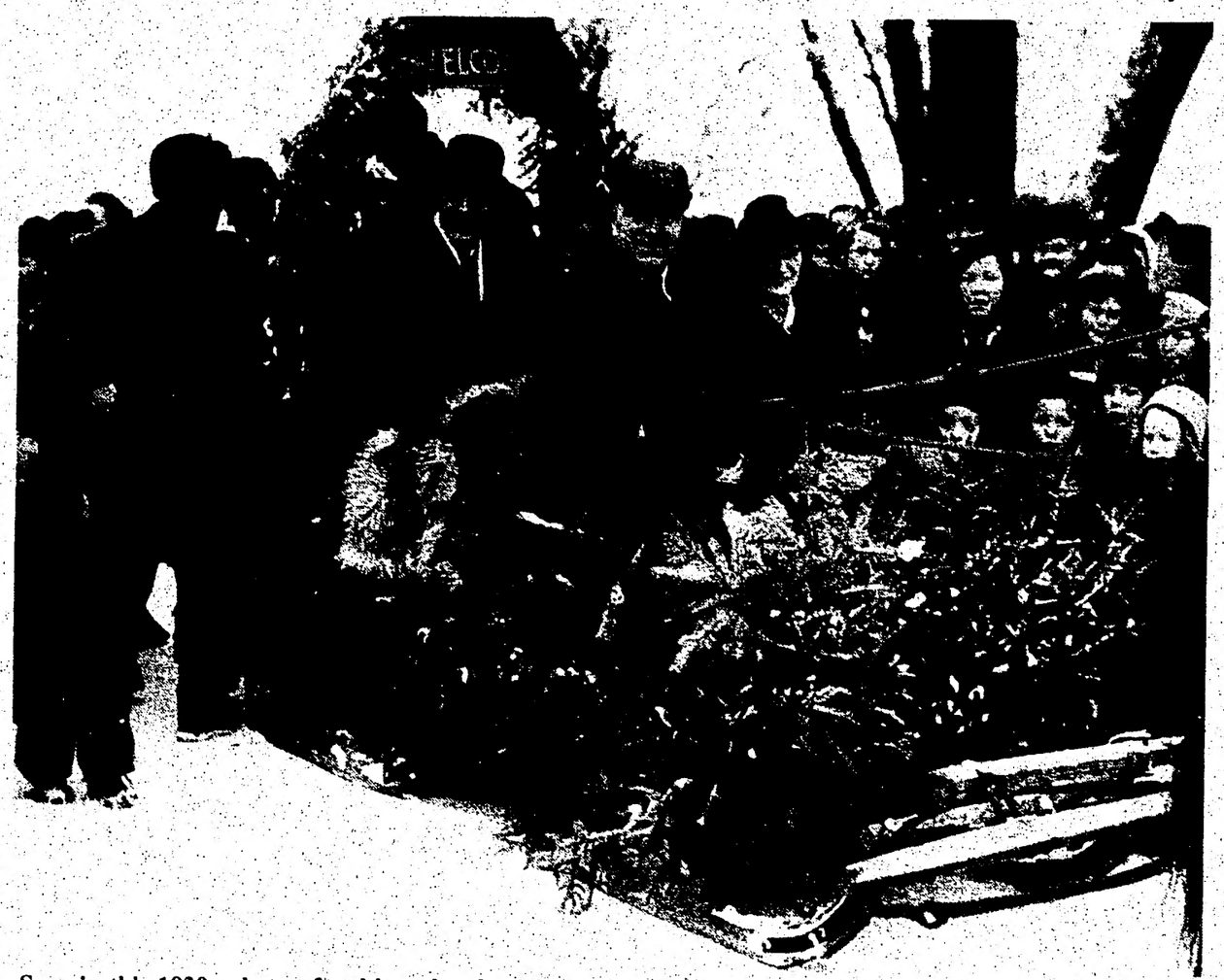
"I really enjoyed growing up in a small town where you knew everyone and there was a sense of community. When the fire whistle blew, everyone ran to help. In the city people don't seem to know or care about their neighbors."

Track says that tourism flourished in the 20s and 30s. Jews whose children were at local summer camps became familiar with the area and its resorts and started to buy and build cottages around Huntsville.

When the Ginsburgs moved to Huntsville it was considered a remote community. When they left in the 50s, it was well on its way to becoming a popular year-round holiday spot. Now it boasts about 15,000 summer guests each year, vacation facilities for all seasons; and fine hotels and restaurants.

There's something for everyone all year round: winter sports; spring getaway weekends watching the ice break up and the Canada geese returning; summer water sports and fishing, boat cruises, theatre productions, art galleries, handicraft and antique shops, and Muskoka Pioneer Village; and Cavalcade of Color, in the autumn when the leaves turn to spectacular scarlet and gold.

And this centennial year there are dozens of other activities and functions. So if you're in Muskoka, stop at the centennial information booth outside the Huntsville Town Hall on Main St. and ask for some information kits about the town the Ginsburgs helped to develop.



Seen in this 1930s photo of a ski weekend celebration in Huntsville, Ont., are Morris Ginsburg (holding reins) and H.E. Rice, the town's mayor (seated behind at left).

Synagogue walls desecrated

Swastikas upset residents

By
DAVID BIRKAN

Police patrols have been increased

TORONTO —
A continuing rash of swastikas daubings in the Bathurst Manor area is making local residents increasingly "sick and frustrated," according to someone who has lived in the neighborhood for 19 years.

"The elderly and the widows are afraid. They are ready to move out," she told The Canadian Jewish News, "particularly the ones with tatoos on their arms."

The walls of the local synagogue, Beth Jacob-Anshe Drilz Congregation, have been desecrated by swastikas. They were also painted on stop signs, bus shelters, fences and the sides of shops in the Overbrook Plaza.

"This has been going on for a month," she told The CJN. "Whenever they're removed, they appear once again the following morning.

"This is the first time something like this has happened here. I'm very worried," she said.

She told The CJN that she contacted North York Mayor Mel Lastman, the Toronto Transit Commission, the Canadian Jewish Congress, and the Jewish Defence League to have something done about the desecrations.

"They seem to be painted on during the wee small hours," she said. She added that late one Saturday night, while walking her dog, she noticed a "tall white man with dark hair" walking unusually slowly near a bus shelter. When she got to it, she saw it had three freshly painted swastikas: "I looked around for the man again. He had disappeared."

Sgt. Mark Mendelson of the Metro Toronto Police's ethnic squad told The CJN that police patrols have been increased in the area.

"Basically, we are looking for a guy with a spray can," he said. "There is no indication that any group of organized people is involved."

He said that local residents should report any suspicious sightings to the police. "People should call us right away," he said.

Mendelson added that the police was called in by BB and the CJC. No direct reports on the swastikas was submitted to the police by people in the area.

A meeting to organize neighborhood watch patrols, sponsored by the JDL, will be held at the Shaarei Tefillah synagogue Monday evening, July 28, JDL head Meir Halevi told The CJN. Anyone in the community interested in taking part is invited to attend.

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Support for the Soldiers of Israel

THE WARSHAVER LODZER LADIES held a Sunday morning meeting to celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut. Two Israeli soldiers were guests of honour. They were Lieut. Emmanuel A. of the paratroopers and Lieut. Iri S. of the Israel Air Force, seen above with Gordon Mendly, Chairman for Organizations fo the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers in Israel, and the Executive Members of the Warshaver Lodzer Ladies.

The Toronto Branch of the Association for the Welfare of Soldiers in Israel wishes and prays for a

REFUAH SHLEIMA for LIEUT. EMMANUEL A.

one of the officers who was a guest of the Toronto Branch on the occasion of Yom Ha'atzmaut.

Emmanuel was wounded last week by an enemy mine, while on active duty.

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Sunday, July 27

DISARMAMENT GROUP PICNIC

Join with the Shalom Disarmament Group on Sunday, July 27, for a picnic-barbecue. Bring family, friends and food. Entertainment and drinks will be provided.

It all takes place at 1 p.m. at Earl Bales Park. For information, contact **Sylvia** at 782-6617 or **Mark** at 222-7476.

PNAI PICNIC

On Sunday, July 27, PNAI (Parents of North American Israelis Inc.) is having a picnic at Niagara Glen (Canadian side) with chapters from Toronto, Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse. Some Israeli children who are visiting their parents will be attending.

For details, contact Toronto chapter president **Bernard Rubin** at 633-7192.

Wednesday, July 30

CREATIVE ARTS THERAPY

Introduction to Creative Arts Therapy, Part 1, is the topic of the program Business and Professional Women's Network of UJA is sponsoring on Wednesday, July 30. It will feature **Morton Manilla** of the Toronto Art Therapy Institute and dance therapist **Melanie Ghan Nesbitt**, York University professor. The moderator will be social worker **Gloria Grossman**, senior art therapist.

It takes place at the conference centre of the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. Dinner is at 6.30 p.m. ($12), dessert at 7.15 ($5). Contact **Julie Gasner** at 635-2883 for reservations.

Thursday, July 31

BB THEODOR HERZL LODGE

B'nai B'rith Theodor Herzl Lodge invites you to a meeting on Thursday, July 31, at 7.45 p.m. at 15 Hove St. Guest speaker will be **Aurel Braun**, University of Toronto political science professor and expert on Eastern European affairs. Entertainment will provided by singer-guitarist **Arnie Wiskin**. Refreshments will be served.

For information, call **Eugene Jacob** at 781-3677.

Saturday, Aug. 2

KING DAVID CONGREGATION

King David Congregation invites the community to Shabbat services on Saturday, Aug. 2, at 9.30 a.m. at Forest Hill Collegiate, 730 Eglinton Ave. W.

Kiddish will follow services. Children are most welcome.

Wednesday, Aug. 6

A TRIP TO ARTPARK

Toronto Women's ORT Casablanca Chapter is arranging an outing to Artpark, Lewiston, NY, on Wednesday, Aug. 6, to see the hit musical Gypsy.

Bring your own lunch or purchase one at park stop. For bus transportation and theatre ticket, contact **Rae Prussky** at 493-8323 or **Martha Lackie** at 781-6488.

Tuesday, Aug. 12

SOVIET JEWISH WRITERS

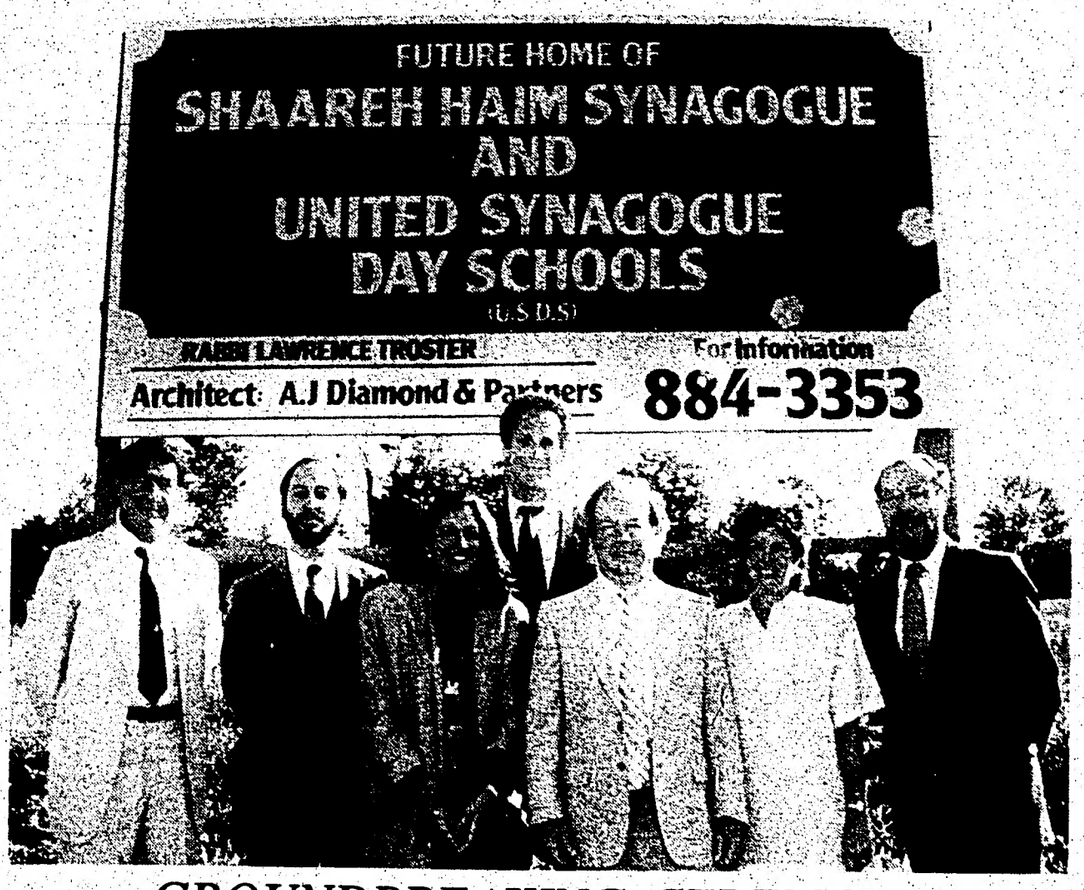
The annual commemoration of the execution of Soviet Jewish writers in Moscow in 1952 takes place Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St.

Speakers will include (in English) **Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut**, senior scholar, Holy Blossom Temple. and (in Yiddish) **Anatol Wertheim**, a leader of Polish Jewry and one-time chief of staff to the Jewish Partisan Brigade in Byelorussia.

Event is sponsored by Canadian Jewish Congress. Admission is free.

CANADIANA GIFT

Pearl Miller (right), past national president of Na'amat Pioneer Women, presents Meri Saguy, wife of Israeli Consul-General Gideon Saguy, with a gift of Canadiana and a plaque on behalf of the organization at the annual tribute dinner. [Graphic Artists photo]



GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

Shaareh Haim, the first Conservative synagogue north of Highway 7, will build on Bayview Ave. at Weldrick in Richmond Hill. Participants at recent groundbreaking ceremony included (from left): Architect Jack Diamond; Rabbi Lawrence Troster; Karen Miller, vice-president and building co-chairman; Dr. Kel Sherkin, president and building co-chairman; Mayor Al Duffy of Richmond Hill; Susan Fenwick, president, USDS Parents Association; and Aaron Nussbaum, USDS principal and director of education.

And What Else Is New...

TO ISRAEL WITH LOVE

To help boost Israel's tourist industry, Na'amat Pioneer Women has planned a second tour this year, "the tour of tours," leaving Oct. 20 for 15 days in Israel at 5-star hotels with 27 meals included.

Several unusual features have been added to the regular itinerary, which will be led by Toronto president **Norma Barkin**, culminating with a bonus package of a motor tour through the Negev and two full days in Eilat for relaxing and unwinding before the flight home.

For details and information, contact **Lorraine Levene** at the PW office at 636-5425.

DORIS' MUSICAL VARIETY SHOW

Doris' Musical Variety Show (in future to be called Creative Musical Variety Show), that popular group of senior entertainers from the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living accompanied by pianist **Elaine Duff**, continues to perform in **Doris Fleishman's** memory, as she would wish.

August performances include Wednesday, Aug. 6, at St. Raphael's Home, 1020 McNicholl Ave., at 2 p.m. and Tuesday, Aug. 26, at the Centre for Creative Living open house, 1003 Steeles Ave. W., at 1 p.m.

For information about this group, call 222-7422 or 222-0655.

SPECIAL SUMMER SERVICES

During the summer many young couples visit various congregations to help them decide which to join. To facilitate this, Temple Har Zion, 7360 Bayview Ave., Thornhill, runs special summer services led by **Rabbi Michael Stroh, Rabbi Daniel Gotlieb** and **Cantor Martin Steinhouse** as well as by lay leaders.

Young families interested in joining a congregation that combines tradition with modernism are invited to these services on Friday evenings at 8.30. Children are welcome.

SHALOM VILLAGE HAMILTON

Here's a list of special programs taking place at Shalom Village in Hamilton during the month of August —

Thursday, Aug. 7 — 5th annual tea by Shalom Village ladies auxiliary from 2-4 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 14 — Slide show on Europe with **Morris Silbert** at 2 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 17 — Simcha Sunday at 6 p.m. with barbecue followed by entertainment by Roth Family music group.

Wednesday, Aug. 27 — Lunch with the Friendship Club at 12.30 p.m. followed by a game of bingo.

Thursday, Aug. 28 — Guest speaker **Pat Morhan** will talk about The Impact of Technology on Our Health in the Future at 2.30 p.m.

Every Saturday afternoon at 3 there are Yiddish readings with **Rena Freeman**.

A new program is starting on Monday afternoons at 3 — Kumzutz with **Helen Yellin**.

CAMP ARROWHEAD FUN FAIR

Camp Arrowhead, situated at Tent City on Lake Simcoe, invites all past staff and campers to attend the 30th anniversary Fun Fair on July 26, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This fair will have games, booths, prizes and food and will feature a concert by singer **Doug Barr** and company.

The day camp has been providong the children of the Belle Ewart cottage area with an excellent camping experience since 1956 when it was started by the cottage community.

MILLION TO DIABETES RESEARCH

During the 16th annual International Conference for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation held in Washington, DC, recently, the Toronto chapter received the coveted Platinum Award for contributing $1 million to diabetes research. This makes it the second chapter ever in the 16 year history of JDF to receive this prestigious award.

FOSTER GRANDPARENTS

A meeting will be held Thursday, Aug. 14, at 7.30 p.m. at the Lodzer Centre Congregation, 12 Heaton St., Downsview, for people who would like to be volunteer grandparents.

To learn more about how to participate in this program, call 889-1502.

CANADIAN ISRAELI CLUB

The Canadian Israeli Club, Aluma, has several programs scheduled for the next two or three weeks.

On Tuesday, July 29, at 7.30 p.m., in the Fireside Lounge of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., **Ahron Dahary** will speak on Israeli, Hebrew and Jewish culture.

An evening of singing and dancing with **Boris Newman** is planned for Sunday, Aug. 3, at 8 p.m. in the Wagman Centre Fireside Lounge. Cost is $2.50. Refreshments will be served.

An Israeli movie is the program on Tuesday, Aug. 5, at 7.30 p.m. in the Wagman Centre Fireside Lounge.

On Sunday, Aug. 10, the group goes to Marineland and the miniature village in Niagara Falls and also to Niagara-On-The- Lake. The cost of bus transportation is $10. Bring your own lunch. Call to reserve by Aug. 5

At the meeting of Tuesday, Aug. 12, guest

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LIGHTER MOMENT

Larry Grossman (right), leader of the official Opposition and leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario, visited the Jerusalem pavilion during Toronto's Caravan celebrations. Here he enjoys a lighter moment with the pavilion's mayor Jack Herson.

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speaker **Rabbi Gad Levy** will discuss The Orthodox Versus Reform in Israel. The time is 7.30 p.m. in the Wagman Centre Fireside Lounge.

For information about all events, contact **Ephraim Dloomy** at 449-7836.

PLAY SCHOOL

Leave your child to play, learn and have fun in a play school for children two and three years of age. Some spaces are still available for 1986-87. There is a choice of a three or four-day program, 9 a.m. to noon. The location is 44 Edinburgh Dr.

For information, call **Reva** at 638-2566 after 6 p.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Metropolitan Toronto Association for the Mentally Retarded has need of volunteer help for an interesting summer program designed to assist handicapped youth. The volunteer works with staff in providing placement and on-the-job support for students learning to cope with a variety of summer jobs.

If you are 15 years of age or older and can commit 10-15 hours per week for a few weeks this summer, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

for seniors

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The Senior Citizens Club of the Labor Zionist Alliance meets daily at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave., from noon to 4 p.m. Members have a pleasant afternoon of chess, cards and shuffleboard.....Shuffleboard is also available every Tuesday evening at 7. All those interested in entering the shuffleboard tournament, contact the club at 633-8579.....The Cultural Circle meets every Tuesday morning at 10 for interesting lectures and discussions. At the July 22 session **Shlomo Mitzmacher** spoke on Sholem Asch — The Arbiter Between Two Religions.....A trip to Las Vegas is planned for September. Call the club office for details.

Club Chaverim of the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St., meets on Mondays at 1 p.m. for movies and games. Upcoming meeting dates are July 28 and Aug. 11. There is no meeting on Aug. 4, due to the Civic Holiday. Cost is 50¢ members, 75¢ non-members, refreshments included. For information, call **Sally Kerbel** at the JCC Valley at 889-0813.

Concert violinist **Louis Bannet** will be the guest artist at the Tuesday, Aug. 5, meeting of **Temple Sinai Seniors**. The time is 1 p.m. at the temple, 210 Wilson Ave. Cost is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

Workmen's Circle Social Club meets for lunch and entertainment on Tuesday, July 29, at noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. **Shirley Grotell** has arranged a trip to Niagara Falls with dinner and a visit to a winery for Wednesday, Aug. 6. Some seats are still available. Come to the meeting on the 29th and sign up. Non-members are welcome. For information, check with Mrs. Grotell at the meeting.

JCC Singers, a choir of seniors affiliated with the Jewish Community Centre who won the first prize trophy at the North York Seniors choral competition,, have been invited to perform at Harbourfront on Wednesday, July 30, at 12.30 p.m. at 235 Queen's Quay, Brigantine Room. If you would like to become part of this versatile choir, just join in the rehearsals on Thursdays from 9.30-11 a.m. in Room 221 at the JCC, 4588 Bathurst St. For bookings and more information, call the president, **Dolly Brown** at 636-9468.

Beth Sholom Seniors meet on Wednesday, July 30, at 7.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. There will be entertainment and refreshments. Admission is $1 members, $2 non-members. For information, call publicity chairman **Eve Donsky**.

The Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., welcomes all residents, members and friends to Summer 86 Health Fair. Drop in Wednesday, Aug. 13, anytime from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be exhibits sponsored by nutrition, dental, safety and health-oriented associations, various lecture presentations as well as a play, Seniors Taking Extra Precautions, put on by the police department. Presentation schedule is as follows: 9.30-10 a.m., Stress with **Lucy Mekler** of Humber College; 10.05-11, the play, Seniors Taking Extra Precautions; 11.05-11.55, Nutrition by dietetic associations; lunch break 12-12.55 p.m.; 1-2 p.m., Seniors and Fire Prevention by the fire department, and 2-3, The Wise Use of Drugs by Shoppers Drug Mart.....The Wagman Centre Baywalkers are going to High Park Fitness Trail on Tuesday, Aug. 5; G. Ross Lord Park on Thursday, Aug. 7, and Flemington Park on Friday, Aug. 8. The time is 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. for all outings. For more information, call **Maggie Smith** at 789-5131, ext. 2341.

Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Program for women 55-70 years of age, widowed less than two years, meets on Sunday, Aug. 3, from 12.30-2 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Elderly Widows 70 and Over Self-Help Program is set for Monday, Aug. 4, from 1.30-3 p.m. in Rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Self-Help Widowers Program for men over 55 takes place Wednesday, Aug. 6, from 7.30-9.30 p.m. in the Lipa and Fanny Green Library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call 789-5131, ext. 2271, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is having a general meeting on Sunday, Aug. 10, at 1.30 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Come and play bingo. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. Charge is $1 members (bring membership cards), $2 guests. For information, call **Sam Cynamon** at 665-3724.

Earl Bales Seniors' Place is holding a summer dance, with a live band, on Saturday, July 26, from 8-11 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (Bathurst and Sheppard). Refreshments will be available. Admission is $3.50 members, $4 non-members.....On Tuesday, Aug. 5, a trip to Hamilton will include a tour of the Botanical Gardens in the morning and the Arrow Shirt factory in the afternoon. Bring your lunch. Sign up early as reservations are limited. Charge is $16 per person.....A trip to the Catskills is arranged for Sept. 1 (Labor Day) to Sept. 5 at a cost of $375 Canadian double occupancy. Deposit of $50 on sign up, full amount by Aug. 1. Non-members charge of $380 will include membership for one year.....The line and ballroom dancing is in full swing on Wednesdays from 7.30-9.30 p.m. Come out and have an enjoyable evening with **Ada Goldblatt** assisted by **Irving Naftolin**. There is no charge.....For all Earl Bales Seniors' Place activities, call 636-7856, Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

At **Upper Canada Friendship Club**, B'nai B'rith Building, 4266 Bathurst St., on the occasion of their re-election as president and 1st vice-president, **Dora Posluns** and **Rae Fergus**, respectively, gave a kiddish for all the daveners of the chapel and good friends. On behalf of the daveners, **Meyer Collin** thanked the two hostesses and wished the new administration success for the coming year. The smoked fish was generously donated by Rae's cousin **Harry Kushnier** of York Fish Co. Helping to serve were **Meyer Collin, Moishe Resnick, Sam Fox, Gerdie Gross, Sally Escowitz** and **Pearl Rosenshine.**

An 8-session computer course for seniors with hands-on experience for beginners starts Monday, Aug. 11. It will take place from 3.45-5.30 p.m. at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The course is presented by the senior adult services department of the Jewish Community Centre in cooperation with the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living and the North York Board of Education continuing education department. It is free for seniors and members with a material charge of $5. Non-members under 65 will be charged $16 plus the material fee. For information, contact **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 234.

A 3-day trip to Agawa Canyon to see the fall colors that includes a train ride through the canyon and a cruise of the Chi Chi Maun, is being sponsored by the senior adult services department of the Jewish Community Centre Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Price of $277 double occupancy covers accommodation, meals, transportation and more. For information, call **Teme Kernerman** at 636-1880, ext. 234.

It's time to think of the High Holidays! Upper Canada Lodge Building has a beautiful air-conditioned chapel. The rabbi, **Chaim Weber** and the chazzan, **Asher Benlolo** will be conducting the services. All residents of the building and people in the vicinity are invited to attend. Prices are reasonable. For information, call **Leah** at 630-6897 or **Sara** at 636-4245.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

Health Fair 86, taking place Thursday, July 31, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., will focus on You Should Live to 120 — Eat Well to Live Well. Highlights include nutrition information, keynote speakers, demonstrations, films, free samples, literature, blood pressure and hearing testing, eye examinations, denture check-ups and a special attraction, a breast self-examination teaching clinic. And in addition to all that you will be able to enjoy healthy nutritious snacks. Admission is free and everyone is welcome. This project is co-sponsored by New Horizons Health & Welfare Canada.

On Thursday, Aug. 7, the Lifelong Learning Institute (LLI) is presenting a seminar entitled Time Journey with **Brenda Reid**, senior historian of Gibson House in North York. The time is 1.30-2.30 p.m. There is no charge.

The Sunday afternoon program features the movie, The Odessa File, on July 27, and a concert with singers **Fern Dworkin** and **Noam Eisen** on Aug. 10. Both programs are at 2 p.m. Admission is $1 members, $1.50 non-members.

Dance to the lively music of the Creative Band on Sunday, Aug. 3, from 7.30-10.30 p.m. Charge is $2 members, $2.50 non-members.

The Wednesday afternoon socials present the **Roth** family on July 30, **Bluma Schonbrun**, singer of Yiddish and Hebrew songs, on Aug. 6, and **Sandi Horwitz**, singer of Yiddish and show tunes, on Aug. 13.

singles

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Na'amat Pioneer Women Nurit Chapter (career women mid-30s to early 40s) invites you to be a guest at a poolside brunch and "psychic experience" on Sunday, July 27, at 11 a.m. at 50 Park Lane Circle, Don Mills. In case of rain, gather in the solarium. Prospective members are welcome. RSVP by calling 636-5425 days or 884-8559 evenings.

JCC Valley Singles Centre is having a Splash Bash dance party on Sunday, July 27. Splash in the pool and then enjoy dancing, strolling on the patio and refreshments. The deejay will play your favorites. Festivities start at 8 p.m. Charge is $4 members (bring membership cards), $6 non-members. Refreshments are included. Call **Jodi** or **Sally** at the JCC Valley at 889-0813 for further information.....A 50s and 60s holiday party is planned for Sunday, Aug. 3. Wear nostalgic clothes. The deejay will have you dancing up a storm. Charge of $4 members (bring membership cards), $6 non-members, includes refreshments. Call Jodi or Sally for information.....A sports day and picnic is arranged for Sunday, Aug. 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Earl Bales Park. There will be baseball, hiking and games. Bring children, food and sports equipment. Meet **Mel** or **Marianne** at the snack bar at the north end of the park. For information, call **Marianne** at 731-2914.

Attention 40 and over! **The Friendship Nook**, a singles organization catering solely to people over 40, invites you to a party on Saturday, Aug. 2, at 8 p.m. This event will be held in the banquet hall of the Earl Bales Community Centre in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard. There will be a deejay, music to suit all tastes and dancing. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Cover is $6. Call The Friendship Nook at 446-1666.

Join the new group, **Club Netanya** for a mixed singles 10-pin bowling league every other Saturday at 9.30 p.m. starting Sept. 6. Register now as space is limited. Other optional events include socials. There will be two divisions — ages 20-40 and 40 plus. For further information, contact **Harvey** or **Howard** at 636-9468 between 5 and 8 p.m. or **Stan** at 638-0747 evenings, or Playtime Bowl at 787-7421.

Register now for **Metro Toronto Singles** singles weekend at Cleveland's House resort in Muskoka Friday, Sept. 5-Sunday, Sept. 7. Meet singles from Canada and the U.S. Weekend is all inclusive — accommodations, meals and activities such as lifestyle lectures, evening dances, aerobics, tennis and golf tournaments as well as water front facilities. For more information, call **Sid** at 222-7111.

This is for 20-29-year-olds! **High Society** will be holding a party geared specifically for your age group on Thursday, July 31, at 8 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard. There will be great music,and good dancing. Soft drinks and a variety of refreshments will be available for purchase.....Also, High Society invites you to a party on Saturday, Aug. 9, at 8 p.m. at the Dunfield Club, 110 Eglinton Ave. E. (2 blocks east of Yonge). The decor and structure of the club makes it an ideal party room. Cover is $7. Call High Society at 446-1394 for these events.

To help celebrate the long weekend on Sunday, Aug. 3, at 8 p.m. **High Society** will be holding a party at Bellair Cafe (upstairs), 100 Cumberland Ave., in Yorkville. There will be dancing indoors and an outdoor patio garden will be available for star-gazing or easy conversation. This party is for all ages. Cover is $7. Call High Society at 446-1394.

Club Moriah, a social-recreational club for ages 25-40, announces its events for the next month — Wednesday, July 30, national ballet at Ontario Place; Friday, Aug. 1-Monday, Aug. 4, camping trip; Sunday, Aug. 10, afternoon hike and social; Sunday, Aug. 17, beach party and swim. August movies and live theatre night, short weekend and camping trips to be announced. For information, if under 30, call **Ralph** at 731-2163, over 30 call **Jeffrey** at 783-3019.

Young Professionals Club invites all singles and single parents from Southern Ontario to attend the next upcoming house parties on both Saturday, July 26, and Saturday, Aug. 9, to be held at 569 Sheppard Ave. W., Suite 709, starting at 8.30 p.m. Admission is $2.99, refreshments included. For further information, call **Sheldon** at 783-7666 or **Rudy** at 638-8936.

JCC Valley Singles Centre has a singles social Hotline for 24-hour taped information on happenings in the Jewish community. The number is 889-5101.

About People

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

The Toronto Sun's Teacher of the Year, as determined by the best letter of recommendation sent in by students and/or parents, is **Elaine Vine** of Vaughan Road Collegiate.

According to appreciative parent **Joanne Colbourne**, Elaine provides "a nurturing learning environment, exacting standards, genuine support, and a pride in accomplishments. In addition, the respect she garners from a student such as my son — who has reached the age of majority and doesn't hesitate to exercise that right at home — is remarkable..."

Elaine told Sun lifestyle editor **Marilyn Linton** that the best learning comes when kids discover things on their own and develop their own thinking skills. Boredom in a teacher is bad

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for students. She has taken a variety of courses over the years to hone her skills.

AN 80TH BIRTHDAY

Malka Segal is coming to Toronto from Johannesburg, South Africa, to celebrate a double simcha — her 80th birthday and the fourth birthday of her twin great grandaughters, **Mia** and **Anna Levin**.

Mrs. Segal, who is traveling with her daughter **Gertie Segal**, will be visiting two grandaughters living here with their families — **Gia and David Levin**, parents of the twins, and **Nooshy and Marco Amar** and their 3-year-old daughter **Tali**.

A tea is being held in honor of her birthday on Aug. 14 at the Levin home. The children's party is on Aug. 18.

After a 2½-week stay, Mrs. Segal is going on to Jerusalem to visit another daughter **Ida Berkowitz** and family.

Originally from Poland, Mrs. Segal arrived in South Africa just before World War II. In her younger years she helped her husband establish a women's fashion manufacturing business.

SEGUIN ART EXHIBIT

Canadian artist **Tutzi Seguin** has a 1-woman show on view at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), 252 Bloor St. W. The 20 pieces of ink and water colors, entitled, Travel Impressions, depict scenes of Israel, Egypt, Greece, Spain, Madeira, Bermuda, the south of England and France.

The exhibit runs to Aug. 7, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

SYNAGOGUE EXECUTIVE

At a recent election meeting of Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation, **David Saul** was elected president for an unprecedented third term.

David Saul

Along with him, the executive for the coming year includes 1st vice-president **Norman Silver**; 2nd vice-president **Henry Ritchie**; 3rd vice-president **Shirley Zuckerbrot**; secretary **Jean Bernholtz**; treasurer **Glenn Bowman** and trustees **Alex Eisen, Dr. Alf Lightstone** and **Bernard Rubin.**

The board of governors elected **Ian Noy** as chairman, **Joe Lifshitz** as vice-chairman and **Joel Hertz** as secretary.

WINDSOR JCC APPOINTMENT

Richard Rosenthal, president of the Windsor Jewish Community Centre, has announced the appointment of **Arlene Potashner** as assistant to the executive director of the agency. She was formerly program and camp director.

Arlene Potashner

A native of Toronto, Mrs. Potashner received her BA and B Ed degrees from the University of Toronto and a Master's degree in special education from the University of Windsor.

Disarmament activists to mark Hiroshima

TORONTO —

The Toronto Disarmament Network will be holding a vigil commemorating the 41st anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima at 4.45 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6 at the peace garden at Toronto City Hall.

Participants, carrying photographs of their loved ones, will form a human circle around the peace garden and will stand for 41 minutes in silent remembrance, organizers say. The public is invited to bring photographs and take part.

All photographs and messages of peace will be collected and sent to Canada's ambassador for disarmament, Douglas Roche.

After the vigil the main speaker will be Leonard Johnson, a retired major-general in the Canadian Armed Forces. Since his retirement, Johnson has become an active in several peace and disarmament groups.

The Toronto Disarmament Network is a coalition of more than 80 groups including peace, church, labor organizations and other groups.

Forum at Bernard Betel Centre

Merits of free trade are discussed

TORONTO —

The merits of establishing a free trade agreement with the United States were discussed and analyzed during a recent public affairs forum at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living.

The forum saw MPP Steven Offer and John Brady from the Ontario ministry of industry, trade & technology argue against such a move, while Willowdale MP John Oostrom and journalist Everett Banning stressed the need for moving towards free trade.

Offer, parliamentary assistant to Consumer and Commercial Relations Minister Monte Kwinter who was scheduled to appear, said that any free trade agreement reached with the U.S. would have far reaching consequences for each province.

"There is no question that once in place it would lead to closer economic integration and political subservience," Offer said.

The MPP pointed out that 1 million jobs in Ontario are currently generated by trade with the U.S. If only 10% of those jobs were lost due to a new trade agreement, then Ontario would be foolish to support the move, he said.

"We couldn't support any change that would put at risk the economy of the country and the province," Offer said.

He added that a list of items that are non-negotiable should have been drawn up before the trade talks began.

Oostrom stressed the need for a secure market for Canada's goods and services, pointing out that while 80% of Canadian goods are exported to the U.S., only 22% of their products come here.

He claimed that if no free trade agreement is in place by the year 2000, Canada would face the possibility of "going down the drain."

He said a free trade agreement with our neighbors to the south would benefit consumers in the form of lower prices on imported goods and open new markets for Canadian companies.

"It is for a better tomorrow and a more prosperous Canada," Oostrom said.

Brady, manager of the trade policy branch of the ministry of industry, trade & technology, reiterated many of Offer's points, saying that the provincial government was not opposed to free trade, but merely cautious.

He questioned whether positive adjustment would really occur as a result of free trade.

Everett Banning, economics editor for Global TV, said that what the public is seeing in the free trade debate is a group of people sitting around saying why something can't be done.

He said that Canadians should not be afraid of free trade as they are the second most successful traders per capita in the world and have the largest per capita work force.

"We have the brains and the expertise," he said. "Now we have to find ways to sell it."

Rabbi Pearlson receives honor

SNOWMASS, Colo. —

Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Toronto's Temple Sinai and fellow members of the President's Alumni Circle were honored recently by Alfred Gottschalk, president of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, during the Rabbinic Alumni Luncheon of the college.

The President's Alumni Circle is composed of rabbis who have shown extraordinary support of the college's Year-in-Israel Program. This special program, begun 16 years ago, requires all rabbinic students to spend their first year of seminary training studying Hebrew at the Jerusalem School.

In addition, the students have the invaluable experience of living and working in Israel. Besides Hebrew study, the rabbinic students spend time working on kibbutzim; volunteering as tutors in underprivileged neighborhoods; digging at archeological sites; and generally being exposed to the fullness of contemporary Israeli life and culture.

The members of the President's Alumni Circle have committed themselves to be the leaders in the continuing effort to strengthen this important aspect of rabbinic training, Gottschalk said.

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By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Pinchas/ The Three Weeks

A Jew must be tough. You have to do what you have to do, be strong, be true to principles.

And not be afraid of critics.

Once a rabbinic question (shaaloh) arose before a town rabbi, and he decided against the opinion of the famous "Bach." A certain scholar attacked the rabbi for daring to differ from the Bach, made a tumult and battle, and even brought the dispute before the brilliant Machzit Hashekel.

"Why are you silent about this scandalous situation?" the critic demanded.

"The Bach also doesn't have a place in the world to come," the Machzit Hashekel answered. When he saw the man's shock, he explained: "Ha'Bach stands for 'Hamiskabeid bikalon chaveiro! — A person who enjoys someone else's embarrassment' — and that's exactly what you are doing!"

* * *

To criticize is easy — but the medal goes to the person who has the courage to stand up for something.

This week's portion, Pinchas has two characteristics. It's always alone, not joined with any other parsha. Secondly, it's always read during the Three Weeks, the sad period leading to Tisha B'Av, the mourning for the Temple and Jewish suffering.

Why is Pinchas alone? Why is it not joined with another portion, like Chukat-Balak before it, or Matos-Maasei after?

But Pinchas was a kanaee, a zealot. He burned with anger for God. A zealot cannot be part of a group. You can't blaze with a committe. Every Jew has to set himself afire. Will I fight for Judaism? Will I grab a mitzvah that I see forlorn?

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Where **did** Pinchas get his zealousness? Bikano et kinassi! He was jealous for My sake!

What was Pinchas jealous about?

He was jealous of what he saw in the other camp. He saw a Jewish prince embroiled with a pagan princess. What a lust the prince had! What energy! What passion! What a heart! Nothing could stop him, no Moses, no rabbis, no Jewish community, no shame, no obstacle.

He wanted to sin? He set up a tent right in the middle of the congregation!

What a spirit! What grit!

Pinchas was jealous. For a sin there's such sincerity, such single-mindedness.

But for a mitzvah? For a mitzvah we hem and haw and hesitate and procrastinate and limp along and stick out our fingers to see if it's raining — and think we're doing G-d a favor!

The Blue Jays score in the bottom of the ninth? There's such a roar in Toronto the walls can fall down. A Shma Yisrael, a grace after meals, a Yihei Shmei Rabbah . . . mumble jumble, buzz and tumble. Shvach!

Pinchas was jealous. Why do we run after our pleasures with a passion, with a "bren" — and after mitzvahs like wet noodles?

* * *

The Three Weeks are here, and we mourn the Temple's destruction. But this portion of Pinchas has all the holiday and Shabbat offerings to give us hope: Just wait. It's taken long. You have suffered much. But just let every Jew love another . . . and the Redemption will come . . . today!

Shabbat Shalom.

New Toronto JNF president Alan Posluns (right) accepts the gavel of office from his predecessor Sidney Bearg

Toronto JNF elects Alan Posluns president

TORONTO —

Alan Posluns, known for his leadership in the Baycrest Centre for Geriaric Care, has been elected president of the Toronto Jewish National Fund, succeeding Sidney Bearg, who becomes chairman of the board.

Posluns, a graduate of the Wharton School of Business and Finance, University of Pennsylvania, is president of Superior Acceptance Corp.

His association with the Baycrest Centre includes membership of the budget and finance committee, collections chairman, member of the board of directors, member of board of governors, life director, and formerly a member of the executive committee of the board of directors.

In 1984, he was associate chairman of the Toronto JNF Negev Dinner, honroing his father, Abe Posluns, and was Toronto JNF vice-president in 1985. He is also a member of the national board of management of Jewish National Fund.

Other senior officers, forming the incoming administration of Toronto Jewish National Fund are vice-presidents, Madeleine Epstein, Phyllis Flatt, Bernard Ghert, Harry Gorman, Sidney Greenberg, Frances Mandell and Harvey Rosen; treasurer, Dr. Mark Sager; assistant treasurer, Buddy Eisenberg; secretary, Paul Slavens; and assistant secretary, Marty Goldberg.

Israeli admiral to be guest speaker

TORONTO —

Israeli Rear Admiral Chaim Shaked will be the guest speaker at a Tribute to the Soldiers of Israel Gala Dinner Dance on Sunday, Sept. 14 in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton Centre. The event will be sponsord by The Association For The Soldiers Of Israel.

Shaked, a graduate of the Israel Navy Academy, the British Royal Navy Gunnery Officers' School and the U.S. Naval War Gallery.

He served on board destroyers and subsequently was the commanding officer of the five missile boats that escaped the French quarantine in Cherbourg.

Later he was appointed as the commanding officer of the Israel navy missile boat flotilla.

Admiral Chaim Shaked

Since April, 1985, Shaked has served as Israel's naval attache to Washington.

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Organizations and People

United Bakers follows clientele north

Famed Spadina restaurant to close its doors

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

United Bakers Dairy Restaurant, a Spadina Ave. institution for 66 years, will serve its last potato latke and cheese blintz on Aug. 15.

The restaurant, located in what was once the heart of Jewish Toronto, will permanently end its long — some would say historic — connection with Spadina Ave. and follow its clientele north.

Aficianados of the restaurant's famous latkes, blintzes, cheese kreplach, gefilte fish and hearty vegetable soups will not have to do without. The restaurant's 2-year-old Lawrence Plaza location will continue to offer the choice milchik meals introduced by the original proprietors of the Spadina Ave. restaurant in 1920 — including some items like quiche and pizza bagels the original restaurateurs would never have dreamed of.

For Herman Ladovsky, son of the restaurant's founders, Aaron and Sarah Ladovsky, thinking about the closing is an emotional experience.

Looking back on six decades of history, Ladovsky, 73, recalls the thousands of people who've gone through the restaurants doors, who came for a cup of coffee and a bagel and who found friendship, camaraderie, good conversation and an informal, haymishe atmosphere.

Sitting in the restaurant's modern, spacious, northern location, Ladovsky admits closing the Spadina restaurant brings tears to his eyes.

"But all good things come to an end," he concedes reluctantly. "I hope the tradition carries on in the uptown branch."

That tradition goes as far back as 1912, eight years before his parents opened the Spadina Ave. location. The original United Bakers was located at Agnes and Terauly — now Dundas and Bay — and was a joint enterprise of three bakers. Hence the name United Bakers.

But two weeks into the venture, two of the bakers pulled out, leaving the Ladovskys in charge.

Aaron and Sarah, two greeners (immigrants) to Toronto, brought with them from Kielce, Poland ideas for what a cafe-restaurant should be like, says their grandson Philip, 35, the current manager of the Lawrence Plaza restaurant.

Aaron was the baker, Sarah the cook, and together they hit on a recipe for a successful, strictly dairy restaurant.

Herman, who took over complete management of the business in 1955 when his father Aaron retired, and Philip, Herman's son, say the same recipe that worked in the 1920s and 30s still works today: "good food, friendly service and a warm convivial atmosphere in the old world style."

That atmosphere no doubt owes much to the Ladvoskys themselves, who know many of their customers on a first-name basis and who exude warmth and friendliness.

The CJN's J.B. Salsberg recalls Aaron Ladovsky as "a modern, progressive, tolerant and fully committed Yiddishe folksmensch." His generosity and friendliness were renowned. "His restaurant became a Jewish centre," and he "never let a person leave without having been fed, money or no money. That says a lot, yes?"

Losing a restaurant with as much atmosphere as United Bakers will be difficult for some of the cafe's longtime customers, says Ruthie Ladovsky, another of Aaron and Sarah's grandchildren who for the last two years has managed the Spadina Ave. branch of the family business.

"There are people who come in every day of the week for 52 weeks of the year," she says. "They'll really miss us."

As for herself, "I feel very sad. It's the end of an era on Spadina. But I also feel it's time for growth." (Shopsy's, another one-time Spadina "institution," moved out several years ago and with the departure of United Bakers, only Switzer's remains as a restaurant with a distinctly Jewish flavor.)

The need for business growth and changing times are the reasons given by the Ladovskys when asked why they're closing the restaurant.

A year ago the family sold the Spadina Ave. building, located just north of Dundas, and stayed on as tenants. The lease expires in September and the Ladovskys will not be staying on.

"The area has changed significantly to the point where we feel our greatest growth is where our community is," says Philip. "In its present state, it can't grow any more," adds Herman, noting the absence of parking, rent costs and the shift of Jews farther north in the city.

But back in the 1920s, 30s, 40s and 50s the area bustled with Jews. Almost every corner in the area had a synagogue, sometimes two, Herman recalls. People would come into the restaurant looking for a 10th man for a minyan — and never fail to find one.

The Labor Lyceum was located practically next door, recalls Herman, with many Jews in the nearby "shmatta district" coming in for a bite to eat.

It took hard work to make the business go, with the family running practically an around-the-clock operation — baking at night, running a coffee house often until 11 at night and even supplying milk and bread to customers knocking on the door at 1 a.m.

The restaurant always attracted an eclectic crowd. "At a table you could find a rabbi, a priest and a bookmaker talking on equal terms," recalls Herman.

Says Salsberg: "Ladovsky's became a neutral zone for all contending forces in the community," including labor organizers and shop bosses.

Passing the torch, Second generation restaurateur Herman Ladovsky (right) with his son Philip at the Lawrence Plaza United Bakers. [Paul Lungen photo]

Reb Nachman Shemen presided over an Orthodox group who met in the back of the restaurant, he recalls.

In the post-war period when unions were bringing immigrant workers into the area, many, fresh from Union Station, would eat their first meal at United Bakers. Some would even ask about cousins and friends they hadn't seen in years and be told they had just been in the restaurant 10 minutes before, says Herman.

While many will bemoan the closing of a restaurant with as much atmosphere and history as United Bakers, Philip is confident the family can continue the tradition in the uptown location.

And while it may be exaggerating to say its patrons will wear black armbands to mark the closing of the Spadina Ave. location, many will feel the loss of such a haymishe establishment.

"There isn't a Jew in Toronto who didn't pass through these doors," says Herman. "And if he didn't, he wasn't a Jew."

Strawberry soup hits spot for summer

The Kosher Information Service of Canadian Jewish Congress offers a couple of dairy recipes which are just right for the hot summer days.

STRAWBERRY SOUP

1 qt. strawberries, washed and hulled. (reserve several unhulled berries for garnish)
½ cup sugar
1 cup orange juice
½ cup white wine (optional)
1 tbsp. lemon juice
1 cup sour cream or yogurt

Place hulled berries in blender or food processor. Add sugar; process until berries hulled mashed. Add remaining ingredients and process until well mixed.

Chill thoroughly. Serve in chilled bowls or glasses. Garnish with reserved berries. Serves 4-6.

Note: If your machine is small, you may have to process ½ of the recipe at a time.

BAKED FLOUNDER IN WINE AND TOMATO

A variety of fish has shown up in the stores this past year. Flounder is an excellent source of protein and contains iron, calcium, vitamins A & B.

4 whole flounder
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Salt
Pepper
Ginger
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½ tsp. basil
2-3 bay leaves
2 tbsps. chopped parsley
¼ cup chopped onion
½ cup shredded cheddar cheese
Garnish:
lemon slices
stuffed olives

Preheat oven to 350F.

Place flounder in a well greased baking dish. Pour wine over fish. Sprinkle with salt, pepper and ginger. Mix the tomatoes with the basil, bay leaves, parsley and onion. Pour over fish.

Bake for 20 minutes.

Sprinkle with shredded cheese; bake another 10 minutes or until cheese melts. Garnish with lemon slices and stuffed olives. Serves 4.

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1 tbsp. chopped parsley
1 can drained mandarin oranges (optional)
Dressing;
¾ cup orange juice
½ cup oil
3 tbsps. tamari sauce
1 garlic clove, crushed
2 tbsps. white wine
Juice of ½ a lemon
1 tsp. grated fresh ginger **or**
½ tsp. dry ginger
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine all ingredients in a jar, blender or food processor.

Before using, wash rice in several changes of water until runs clear. Cook in 8 cups boiling salted water for 40 minutes. Cool. Combine with other ingredients; add dressing and toss. Serve cold.

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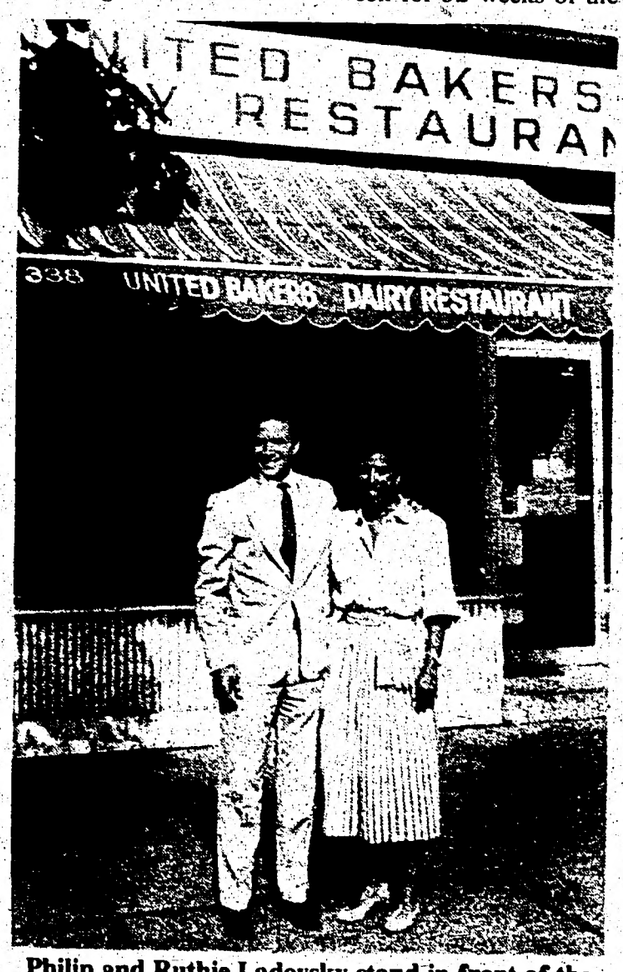

Philip and Ruthie Ladovsky stand in front of the Spadina Ave. United Bakers Dairy Restaurant, opened by their grandparents 66 years ago. [Paul Lungen photo]

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Top grades in religious and secular studies

Desire to excel drives Alyssa Wolpin

Alyssa Wolpin

By MARK DODICK

TORONTO — Alyssa Wolpin, celebrated recently for receiving grades of 100% in six out of nine Grade 13 courses, is no less accomplished in her Hebrew and religious studies.

Wolpin, who will enter Harvard University this fall, attended the Holy Blossom Religious School.

She performed so well in her studies there that she received a scholarship to go to Israel for six weeks the summer after her confirmation year.

And as part of the requirements of the scholarship, Wolpin, 17, also spent the following year (while still in Grade 12 at Forest Hill Collegiate Institute) as a student teacher at Holy Blossom on Sunday mornings.

"I feel very strongly about my religion," she said in an interview. "I always have. When I was in religious school I also aspired to do my best — not just in public school.

"I wanted to learn. I enjoyed it and it was important to me and my parents have always been active at the temple."

The perfect marks Wolpin received in her secular studies came in French, algebra, calculus, functions and relations, biology and Latin. She also received a mark of 98 in physics and chemistry, and 96 in English.

"The desire to excel has come from within. Nobody has told me to achieve. I just always wanted to give my best. I don't see any point in doing anything if I'm not going to give my best," she said.

Besides her scholastic pursuits, Wolpin plays classical guitar and volleyball, and writes poetry in her spare time.

She is spending this summer working at the Hospital for Sick Children, but is leaving her options open as far as her career is concerned.

Adoption policy proposed

TORONTO — Ontario will take a more liberal approach to disclosing adoption information as a result of a new provincial government policy, recently introduced by the ministry of community and social services.

"I believe that the policy will provide all parties to adoption with considerably greater access to both non-identifying and identifying information but do so in a way that balances the interests of all those affected by disclosure, John Sweeney, minister of community and social services announced.

The first change involves non-indentifying information which includes data on the health and development of the adoptee or general background information on birth parents.

The government will require children's aid societies, private licencees who place children for adoption and the ministry to release non-identifying information on request to adult adoptees, adopting parents and birth parents.

The government is also going to take a more open approach to releasing identifying information — information that reveals the identity of the individuals involved in an adoption. Access to identifying information will only be available when the adopted child becomes an adult and the consent of both the adult adoptee and the relevant birth relative is obtained.

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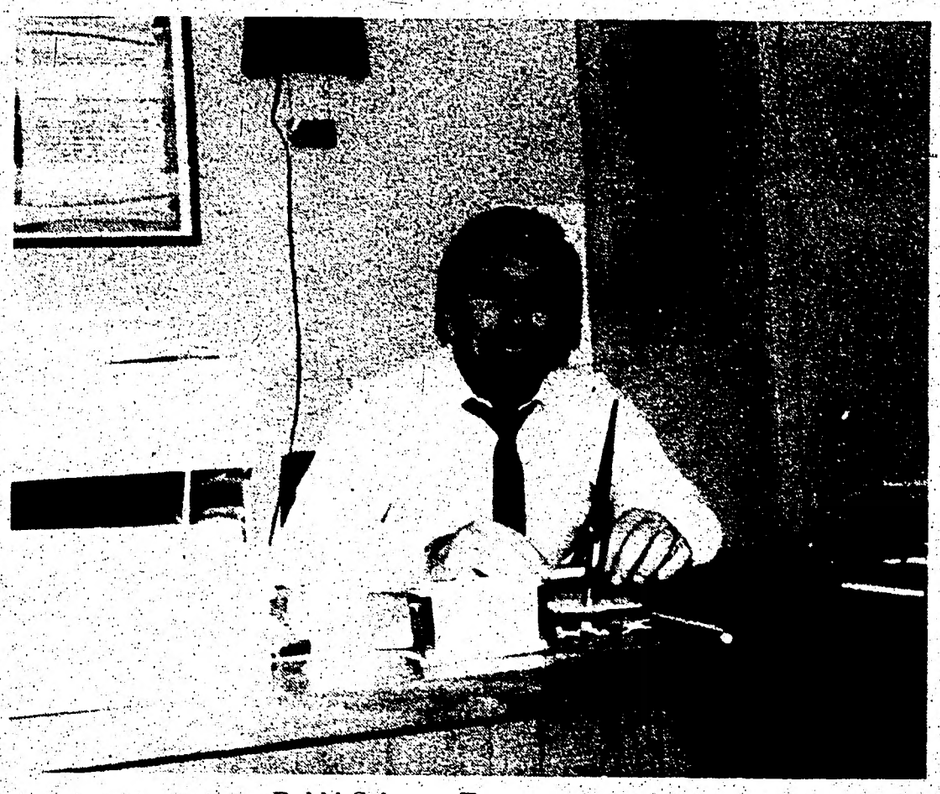
Cold walk to shul

Rabbi readjusts to Regina

By
MYRON LOVE



Rabbi Solomon Truzman

REGINA —
Rabbi Solomon Truzman thought he was mentally prepared for Regina's cold winters — after all, he had spent two years in Manchester, England, not exactly one of the world's hot spots.

But he was not ready for those long, cold walks from home to shul on Friday evenings, said the new rabbi of Beth Jacob Synagogue. "I had to grow a beard to keep my jaw warm," he said. "I knew summer was coming though."

Truzman comes to this prairie city with a background which can be best described as exotic. He was born 34 years ago in Melilla in Spanish Morocco. "In the 60s, we had a Jewish population of 3,000 and 27 synagogues," he recalled. "There are still 900 Jews left there including most of my family."

He left home at 17 to study at a yeshiva in England and received his first rabbinical posting in Manchester. From there he went to Hong Kong.

In Hong Kong, he found one shul serving 140 families. "It was a mixed group," he said. "There were businessmen and diplomats, a few Israeli diamond merchants, Russian refugees who had been in Shanghai during the war and some Americans, Canadians and South Africans.

"There isn't very much for Jews in Hong Kong but it is a beautiful place. The culture is very interesting and I found the Chinese to be much like the Jews in their family orientation and work habits."

After four years in Hong Kong, Truzman felt the need for a change and jumped to the other side of the world. Guatemala City had three separate Jewish groupings — Sephardi, Ashkenazi and Conservative — and the rabbi served all three for seven years.

"Guatemala is a beautiful country with beautiful people," he said. "I learned a lot there. I saw poverty and injustice. Much of my time I spent helping the larger population from which activity I derived much pleasure."

Then, in 1983, a woman called with an invitation to Arruba, 30 miles off the coast of Venezuela. "I come from an area surrounded by sea," he said. "I saw this beautiful island and said this is it, this is where I want to be."

Arruba had 68 Jewish families when he arrived. However, over the next two years the population declined steeply when Venezuela shut off its oil to the island's oil refinery — its major industry.

"There was obviously no future there," he said. "I wanted a challenge, and permanent employment in Canada or the United States and I prefered Canada."

In Regina, Truzman believes he has found what he has been seeking. "The challenge here is to build up this congregation after 2 years without a rabbi," he said.

"I have found the community to be very receptive. Mr. Reiner, our 90-year-old shamus, has been a tremendous help. Everyone is quite conscientious about the welfare and needs of the community."

For now, his plans are to educate the children in the cheder to the best of his ability — "My first priority" — and to bring the community together and to make Canada his home.

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Visitor to Radom shocked

Part of Jewish cemetery occupied by Gypsies

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —

For Jews living in pre-World War II Europe, the Holocaust was a devastating experience which not only wiped out entire communities and sent millions to their deaths, but eradicated their very existence.

However, a Toronto businessman wants to ensure that the memory of the Jews of one Polish city is not forgotten.

Visiting the Jewish cemetery of Radom — the city where he was born — during a recent pilgrimage to his native country, Bernard Cooper of Toronto said he was shocked by what he witnessed.

While the Jewish cemetery had been in existence since the 1820s, Cooper said he had difficulty finding the site.

"We asked people where it was but nobody knew," Cooper said in an interview with The CJN. "When we eventually found it we encountered a Gypsy woman who confirmed that part of what was the Jewish cemetery was now a Gypsy camp.

"After searching for gravestones for a while we found a few fragments and I said kaddish on the field," said Cooper, who lost his mother, brother and sister before the war and who are buried on the site. (He lost his father, two brothers and sisters during the Holocaust.)

Cooper said it was "an elderly Polish man" who provided him with the answer of what had happened to the historic cemetery.

"We were told that the stones had been taken away for paving streets, road repairs and other uses."

Cooper said that after the "shattering experience" of seeing the cemetery in ruins, he and his wife Ruth decided something had to be done and went to see the mayor.

When they eventually met with the official, they were also introduced to the regional director of restoration of antiquities who said he was interested in the matter.

"We spent 45 minutes with them and told them of our shock to find that there was no memory of the Jewish community that lived in the city and contributed to its commercial, industrial and intellectual life."

Bernard and Ruth Cooper visited the monument erected to the memory of Jewish victims of Radom during a pilgrimage to Poland.

The director told them that they had about 250 "macevy" (tombstones) that had been collected over the years from paved areas, fences and other building sites and were thinking of incorporating these into a memorial to the lost Jewish community.

While applauding the move for such a monument, Cooper stressed that time was of the essence and expressed hope that former Radom Jews worldwide would contribute to the cost of such restoration.

"We would like to have a place so as to be able to explore our roots," Cooper said. "While the stones are gone, the bones are there in the ground."

Since returning to Toronto, Cooper said he has spoken to a few natives of Radom who have shown an interest in the project.

He said he decided to make the pilgrimage after years of being unable to face up to the past, because he had the "urge to go and commune" with his dead family.

"We were not at their funerals," said Cooper who left Poland in 1933 to join an older brother in London. While there he met his wife and from there the two went to Israel. They came to Canada in 1954.

On his return to Radom, a city of over 30,000 Jews prior to the war, Cooper said he visited the home where he was born. However, he said he did not enter the building as he wanted to leave the memory of his home untouched.

Cooper said he also managed to get a list of six Jews who belong to the Radom Congregation. While not meeting with its members, Cooper said he recognized one name, Jozef Pinkiert, as the son of the man who was in charge of the Warsaw cemetery.

"I knew that name as a boy," Cooper said.

While in Radom, Cooper said they also visited the area that had a substantial Jewish population prior the war. Where the two largest synagogues had stood side-by-side was a monument erected to the memory of the Jewish victims of Radom.

The Coopers also went to Auschwitz, Madonik and Treblinka — where the majority of Radom Jews perished — and visited the Warsaw synagogue and site of the Warsaw Ghetto.

Fair for seniors

TORONTO —

Lectures, booths and demonstrations on "everything seniors should know" will comprise a health fair for seniors on Thursday, July 31 at the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, says exhibitor Sonnee Cohen.

The fair, organized by the centre's health committee, will feature some 35 booths on every aspect of health, as well as lectures and demonstrations of new products. Major pharmacies will be represented.

At his own booth, Cohen will explain the variety of government services and information available to seniors. "There is so much available," he told The Canadian Jewish News.

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Resource centre staff considering expansion

Reena's kosher kitchen is already successful

Teaching Herschel A. how to prepare a special salad is instructor Paula Cooley.

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO — The in-house kosher dairy restaurant at the Reena Resource Centre is doing well enough for organizers Patty McElwain and Lina Russell to consider expansion.

The restaurant opened June 9. Its full and part time employees — cooking, baking, washing and learning to handle the cash register and the books — are nine of the 200 or so developmentally handicapped men and women being looked after by Reena.

the day and for occasional evening meetings. "The price is right," said Ross. "Where else can you get a sandwich for 70¢" Soup will soon be another addition to the menu.

Comprising the restaurant crew are: full time, Harry E., Lionel M. and Donald T.; and, part time, Ken M., George P., Jean W., Michael F., Kevin R., Ian S., Herschel A., David T., and Bill D.

The restaurant is one of several training programs at the centre. There is also a car wash, a gardening service, a decorated sweatshirt outlet, and a support system for a number of Reena clients working nearby.

"It's important for people to know that many handicapped people are capable of working and contributing to society," said Ross. "We need more employers to come forward and take them on."

Last year, a jeweler, Sol Unger, was honored as Reena's businessman of the year for employing a Reena client.

The Reena Foundation was launched by Rabbi Joseph Kelman, spiritual leader of Beth Emeth-Bais Yehuda Congregation.

Facilities include group homes with varying degrees of supervision, a summer camp that also has year-round facilities, and a variety of teaching and training programs.

While non-denominational, the foundation offers Judaic studies; all its facilities are kosher.

Newly elected foundation president is Marilyn Rapher. Chairman of the resource centre is Eleanor London.

May start catering

"It's gratifying to see our clients being trained to do something," Minnie Ross, Reena Foundation public relations director, told The Canadian Jewish News. "Anything that a person can do for himself makes him feel so good. Every achievement, however small, is a milestone."

McElwain, centre program manager, and Russell, restaurant manager, told The CJN that the restaurant may begin outside catering. The decision is to be made shortly.

Under Russell's guidance, the restaurant staff has been making and selling muffins, coffee, pizza, salads, sandwiches and fruit salads for the centre staff and visitors during

Bonds has new director

TORONTO — Lawrence Waller, former export marketing manager for Israel's National Brewery Ltd., has been appointed executive director of Toronto State of Israel Bonds.

Waller, 42, an MBA from New York University, was a sales and export manager for several Israeli firms earlier, as well as a publisher for Jack and Jill Magazine and advertising executive for Ladies Home Journal.

A graduate of Yeshiva University High School, he and his wife Seza have five children.

Lawrence Waller

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Weight-loss salon makes you tingle with health

By
BRENDA RASKY

TORONTO —

"I was the world's greatest skeptic when I first went to Figure & Face," Dr. Paula Caplan has since recalled.

Caplan is a University of Toronto psychology professor and author of the current bestselling book, *The Myth of Women's Masochism.*

And Figure & Face is the weight loss salon at 24 Bellair off Yorkville Ave. (960-6200), which offers a medically-based breakthrough in beauty treatment.

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Caplan, a former 162-pound, 5-foot-1½ butterball, did better than that.

Within three months, she was 32 pounds lighter and had lost a total of 50 inches in 14 places.

"Furthermore, my layers of cellulite were gone," she reveals in her book. "Carola has given me a great gift — not just the weight loss, but also real control over my body."

Carola is Carola Barczak, a vivacious, 5-foot-11 health professional, who is a walking ad for her salon.

After taking 18 treatments at her clinic in Ridgeway, Ont., near Welland (416-894-1821), she slimmed down from 165 to 140 pounds, went from size 14 to size 10, and trimmed seven inches off her waist alone. Most important, she has maintained her slenderized figure for the past five years.

Barczak is a massage therapist and nutritionist with 15 years of experience in her field. She studied nursing for two years at Boston University and has a Master's degree in physiology and nutrition.

About 10 years ago, she began applying her medically oriented background to the treatment of sports injuries. Using an electrical muscle stimulation machine, she eliminated the buffers of fat deposits the body had built up and was thus able to treat the muscle pain beneath the cellulite.

Women were so pleased with the results that they wanted treatments for the slimming effects alone.

In conjunction with her parents, who are both mechanical engineers, and her massage therapist husband James, she designed a "passive exercise" machine that is twice as large and hence more effective than any others available.

Her salon has eight such machines each controlled by a computer. Forty pads, with a low level of electricity coursing through them, are placed on strategic acupuncture points on your body. Each pad simultaneously stimulates your body from your calf to your arms and including your face.

Barczak says that one 45-minute treatment is equal to about 1,000 situps, 1,000 pushups, five miles of jogging, 1,000 scissor kicks and 1,000 facial isometrics, or about nine hours worth of fullout exercise.

Altogether, she says, her 5-week program is equivalent to about five months in a conventional fitness club, without requiring you to lift a limb.

Carola Barczak (left) treats a client with her computer-controlled "passive exercise" machine at her Face & Figure weight-loss salon.

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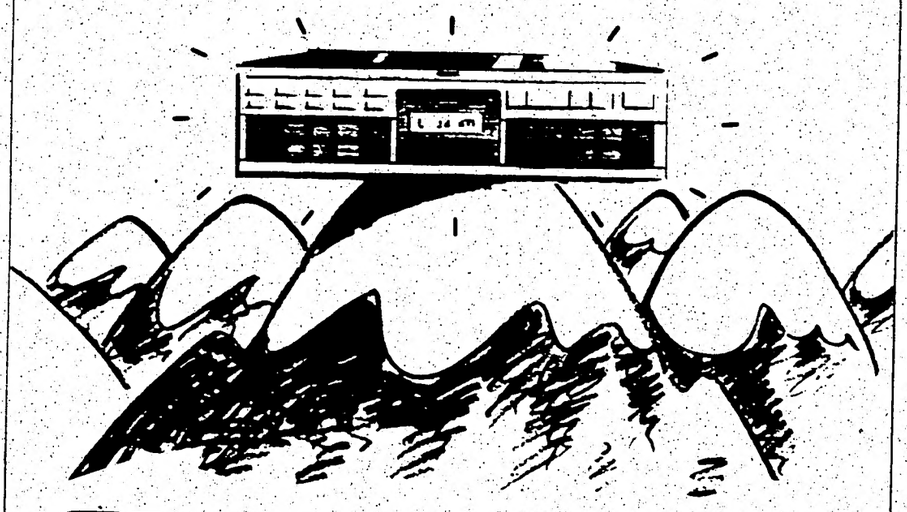

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New appreciation in North America

Pair weaves interest in tapestries

By SHEILA DROPKIN

Renee Rubinstein (left) and Evelyn Jacobs with a tapestry by Calder entitled Tete Noir. The tapestry is woven in the Goeblin technique and is signed by the artist.

TORONTO — Evelyn Heller Jacobs and Renee Rubinstein of Heller Tapestries are determined to spread the word about tapestries and to help develop the appreciation of woven art by Canadians.

Evelyn, a Londoner by birth, and Renee, an American from New York, recently opened their firm, naming it in tribute to Eva Heller, Evelyn's late mother, who had founded Heller Galleries in England 13 years ago, the first British gallery to exhibit contemporary tapestries.

"My mother was an unusual woman," Evelyn reminisced recently over lunch. "She spoke six languages fluently, having learned them as she moved across Europe during the Holocaust. A very cultured woman, who loved antique Goeblin tapestries, she started the business after the untimely death of my father."

Evelyn and her siblings all received tapestries from their mother's personal collection which they proudly display in their homes. She also inherited her mother's desire to share the intrigue of this art work with others.

Renee, who is known in the Toronto community for the artistic flair with which she designed and decorated her ultra-modern Downsview home and which she imparts to the many social functions she hosts for charities, befriended her partner soon after both moved to Toronto 12 years ago. It was natural that when Evelyn decided to go into business, Renee share it with her.

Tapestry weaving is an ancient art, dating back to the days of huge, drafty castles which needed something to warm them, up both figuratively and practically. The large woven pieces, when hung on the cold and damp castle walls, helped cover some of the cracks and eliminate icy blasts, and also brought delightful color into the otherwise drab and dismal rooms. Many of the old tapestries are still in use, most of them now priceless.

Mrs. Heller had established an excellent working relationship with studios of master weavers in the Aubusson region of France (from whence come the famous Aubusson rugs), whose history dates back at least seven or eight generations. The owners of the Heller Tapestries firm have continued this relationship, with Evelyn's mastery of French standing them in good stead and the undoubted attractiveness and personalities of both partners an additional obvious asset.

The French studios are strictly controlled by the French government, which sets quality standards and limits the size of each edition. The tapestries are woven from a "cartoon" or drawing designed by the artist. Since these works are classified as art, no tariffs are placed on them and they are imported into Canada free of duties or taxes.

The partners have also made contact with studios in Scotland whose founders wove the tapestries for ancient Scottish castles. Here, too, the work is of a recognizably superior quality. The Pepsi Cola Co. recently commissioned 11 pieces to be designed by internationally renowned artist Frank Stella and executed in Scotland. Stella has become so intrigued by this art form that he's now experimenting with wool and other fibres, integrating them into his paintings.

Although tapestry weaving has long been known and appreciated in Europe, it has only recently come into favor in North America as a recognized art form and not merely as a "craft." North American artists design and weave their own work which tend to be more experimental than those of the European studios.

When asked how and why these works are considered art rather than crafts, Rubinstein and Jacobs answered that the people who create them are professionals and not hobbyists. Moreover, many of the designers are noted professional artists in the league of Calder, Nevelson, etc.

There are few tapestries actually displayed at Heller. Rather, the partners have compiled a unique library of over 1,000 slides of existing tapestries from around the world (the largest such library in Canada) which can be ordered by clients. The works can be accepted by the prospective buyer on approval, to live with for several days and make certain they are suitable for the site. Moreover, if the client doesn't find something already available, specially designed tapestries can be commissioned to order.

The partners hope eventually to open a proper gallery, with many tapestries on display.

As a result of advertisements in several Canadian design magazines and a display at the Design Show held last November in Toronto's Convention Centre, the gallery is besieged by weavers from across Canada, anxious for representation and for more people to be exposed to their art. Many of them are from British Columbia and Quebec and the partners plan to visit these artists in their home provinces in the near future.

Jacobs says current architecture is as suited to tapestries as were the castles of yore. She explains that "the scale of modern buildings, both residential and commercial, needs something that canvas can't provide. The East Wing of the National Gallery in Washington, for example, has an enormous tapestry by Miro, which has great impact."

Each of the buildings of the Toronto-Dominion Centre in Toronto also has a magnificent tapestry.

In addition to the antique and contemporary tapestries from Europe and the new works from North America, the partners hope to carry works by Israeli artists in the near future.

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Part of changes at Yorkdale

Microwave shop moves

MP Bob Kaplan cut the ribbon opening Micro Cooking Centres' new locaction in Yorkdale. With him are (from left) Elizabeth Inglis, Enid Goldberg, Lisa Werger, Jackie Mudie, and store manager Liz Price.

TORONTO —

Yorkdale Shopping Centre is on the move again for the second time in less than 10 years and so is one of its newer stores.

Microwave Cooking Centres' Yorkdale store recently relocated to more than triple its floor space to 1,000 square feet. It is now situated between Pro Hardware and Yorkdale Cinemas.

"We couldn't have asked for a better (new) location," said Liz Price, manager of the store. "The old location was like a rabbit warren. We were packed to the rafters."

The Microwave Cooking Centres' Yorkdale relocation is not the only change Canada's first indoor mall is undergoing. On Aug. 31 more stores will open bringing the total to over 170.

Price, who was hired as manager when Microwave Cooking Centres moved into the new part of Yorkdale in August 1984, said there currently is a big demand for microwave ovens. She attributes this to the number of working women.

"It is an accepted appliance now," she said. "It also allows kids to feed themselves."

As well as selling "top lines" of microwave ovens, Price said, the store also carries accessories, such as cookware.

Microwave Cooking Centres was started eight years ago in London, Ont. by Alan Perlmutter. Price said that Perlmutter was a business student at University of Western Ontario at the time and didn't know where to turn to get information when he wanted to buy a microwave oven for his mother.

Today Perlmutter operates 50 stores across Canada and the chain is still growing. Price said it opened in Fairview Mall a couple of months ago and will open in the Promenade in Thornhill in August.

House juggling can be tricky

MICHAEL G. STEVENS, sales manager of Canada Trust in Town & Countrye Square, has submitted this item for the information of those who plan to buy another house. He offers some good advice.

* * *

The first step in moving is to get your current house ready to sell. Once that is done, you can then sit down and ask yourself the old chicken and egg question: "Do I sell my current house first and then try to find new accommodation, or do I buy my dream home first, then scramble to find a buyer for my current one?"

Unfortuantely, there is no right or wrong answer. Instead, it depends on the market you are in.

If you sell first, then you won't be stuck with two houses. Nor will you have to bridge finance to purchase your new home. But the problem is that you may not find what you want and you may be forced to buy anything just to move out of the house you have sold.

If you buy first, then you will find exactly what you want. But you may end up in owning two houses and you may have to bridge finance if you have not sold your first house in time. That can be expensive. Or you may have to sell for less just to get rid of the second house.

What would I do? Well, I have done it both ways. In many centres across Canada there are now more buyers than houses for sale. Therefore, I would buy first and then list my house for sale.

But whichever way you decide to go, the real secret is to give yourself plenty of lead time. If you sell first, don't close your sale for at least 90 days. This will give you time to find a new house. And if you buy first, again give yourself at least 90 days in order to sell your current home. If you are realistic in your expectations then there should be nothing to worry about.

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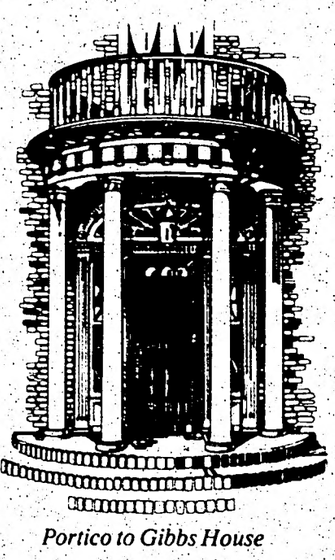

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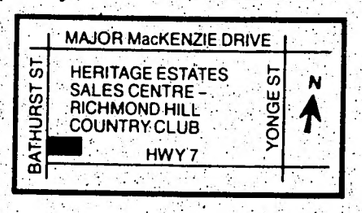

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Luxury Living

Strict architectural controls in Richmond Hill community

Spacious, custom homes set for Lower Village

TORONTO — Three longtime established builders, Wycliffe, Georgian and Townwood Homes are planning a new community of prestige homes in Richmond Hill — The Bayview Hill, Lower Village. The location is an area near Bayview Ave. and Highway 7.

These spacious custom homes, on expansive lots (averaging 70 feet by 140 feet) in the Lower Village, are in the southernmost and exclusiuve conclave of what will be a much larger community to be known as The Bayview Hill.

The builders say Lower Village will be distinctive in its strict architectural controls "which will result in an aesthetic look to the neighborhood with a series of streetscapes all eminently pleasing to the eye — a collection of beautifully designed Georgian, Regency and Tudor-style homes."

From its boulevard, lined with coachlamp-like street lights, its berming and stone-capped perimeter fence accented by wrought iron to its landscape community park complete with tennis courts and playground, "a truly relaxed neighborhood atmosphere will prevail," the builders state.

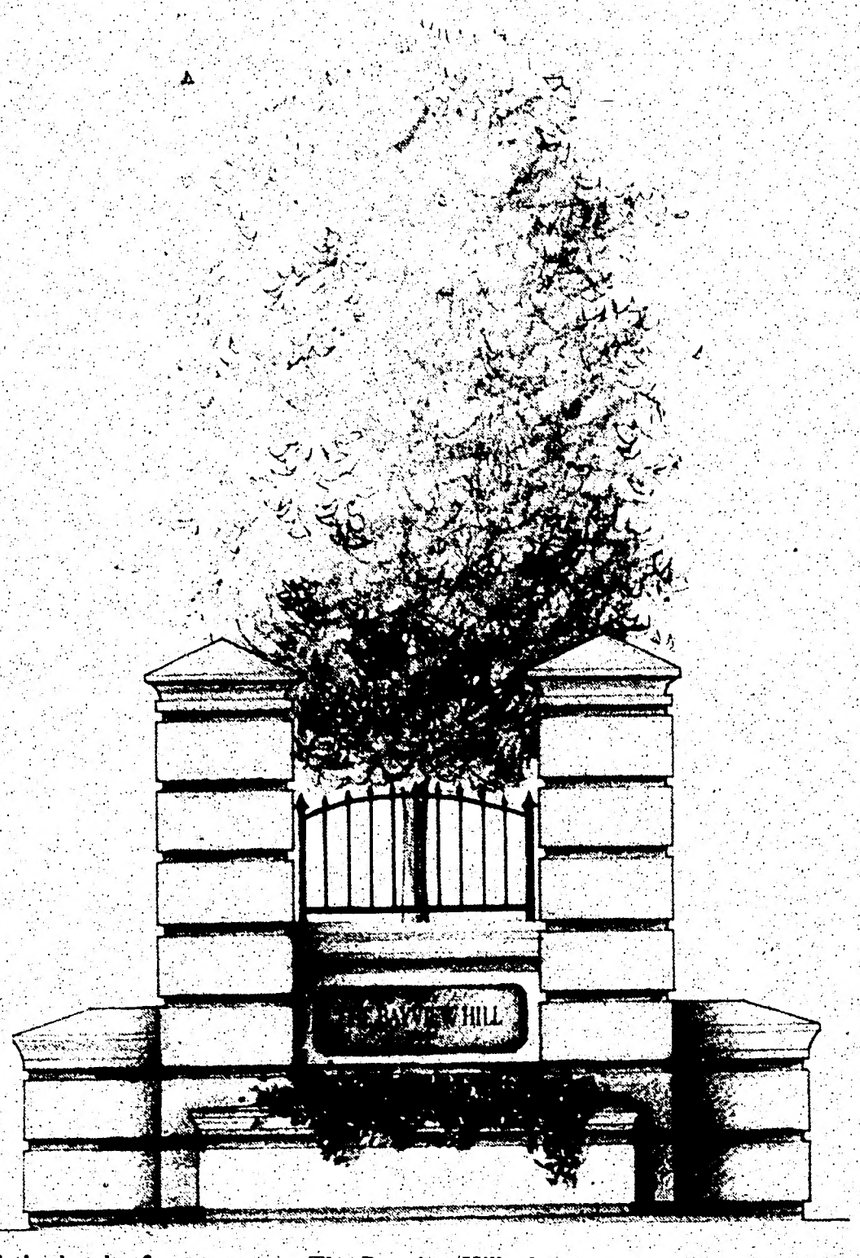
Grand opening of the Lower Village's "model showcase" is scheduled for this fall.

Wycliffe has built more than 5,000 homes in the past 35 years and has one of the finest reputations in Canada's custom home building industry. The company has won numerous awards, including the Toronto Home Builders Association 1985 SAM Award for the top residential design in homes over 2,000 square feet.

Townwood, under president Tony Guglietti, has built over 2,500 homes in the past 10 years — many in the $250,000 to $300,000 price range.

Leading the Georgian Group is president Anthony Maida and his brothers Frank and Gene. Although the group was formed in 1972, the three have been building communities since 1968.

For information about Lower Village call the builders: Wycliffe, 493-2311; Townwood, 630-8060; Georgian Group, 747-5000.



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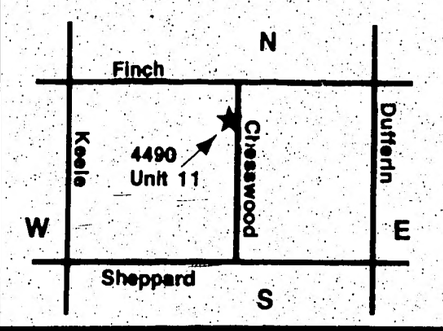

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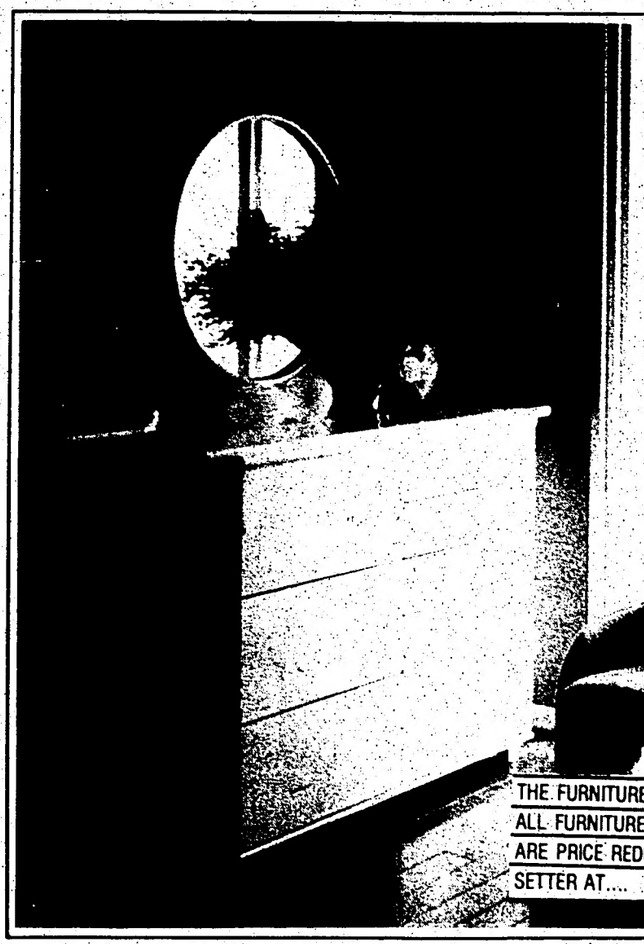

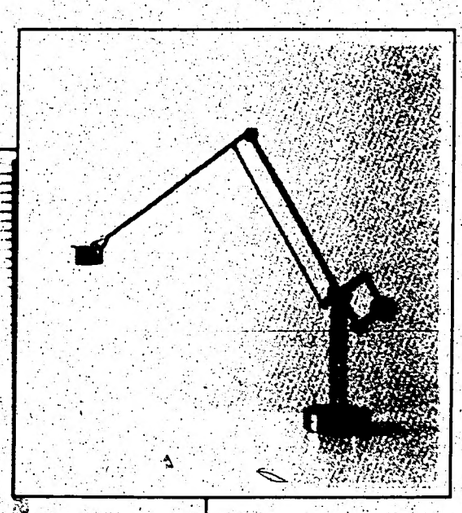

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Fashion

Lucille Crighton ready for fall

Designer looks for unique, elegant, exciting fabrics

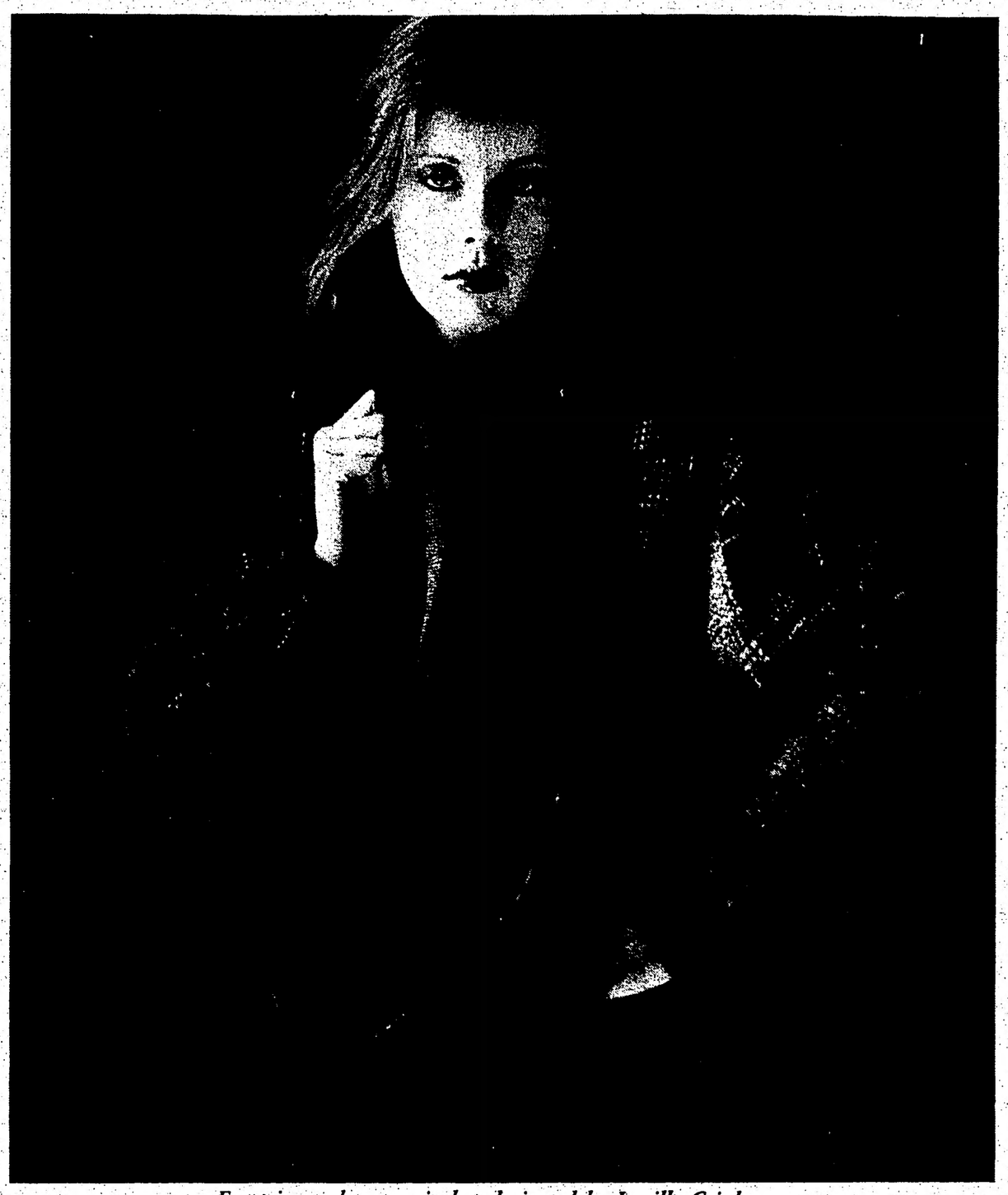
"For my collection, I like to design fabrics which are unique, elegant, exciting, and certainly beyond the scope of any factor — made material." In keeping with the trends emerging for fall, designer Lucille Crighton's fabrics say it all.

Crighton studied under Neil Znamierowski of the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York, was a student of design and later an instructor of textiles at Georgian College in Barrie.

At her studio in Churchill, Ont. she makes her fabrics into fine garments with the help of a small staff.

Crighton's garments range from luxurious fur-trimmed woven jackets and coats to softly draped blouses with skirts in wool, silk, linen and cotton.

Her collection can be seen in fine clothing boutiques in Ontario.



Fur-trimmed woven jacket designed by Lucille Crighton.

Bugwear comes up a winner

By
LORI SMITH

At first and even second glance, the concept — let alone the reality — of bug fashion would appear to be a paradox, but young Toronto entrepreneur Rachel Buck has combined insects with clothing art and come up with a winner.

Seventeen-year-old Buck explains that her bug inspired and festooned line of T-shirts, sweatshirts and shorts began with an ugly pair of boxer shorts and some plastic insects she found when cleaning out a drawer.

"I sort of eyed the shorts and eyed the bugs and then I attached the bugs to the shorts. When I wore them people would stop me and say, 'I love your shorts. Where did you get them?'

"I didn't really think anything of it until I started to try to figure out what to do this summer. Last summer I painted houses and I decided that that wasn't what I wanted to do. And then this idea just developed. I thought up the logos and the idea developed more and more until I got to where I am now."

Where Buck is now is the second floor of the Queen's Quay Terminal selling her line from the table and shelves that make up her first retail outlet, The Flyswatter.

The line, which is under the Flyswatter label, includes T-shirts, boxer shorts and sweatshirts in children's and adult sizes. Each garment bears a bug-related logo and is decorated with plastic flies, ants or spiders.

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Light makeup the rule for summer

Lips, eyes accentuated in this year's look

Heat, humidity and bright sunlight play havoc with cosmetics, so light makeup is the rule in summer.

Fall and winter demand a heavier foundation as protection from the elements, says makeup artist Jane Morphew-Di Bernard, who adds that in warmer weather a makeup regimen can be reduced to moisturizer, blusher, lipstick and eye makeup.

Morphew-Di Bernardo says that fortunately this year's look is a natural, almost pale one, with only lips and eyes accentuated.

The two or three shades of eye shadow used in winter have been reduced to one — deep beige or peach, for example — on the lids, in the crease and right up to the brow.

"It gives a sophisticated, clean look. It is light yet doesn't look made up, which is good for summer."

Proper skin care is the starting point, said Morphew-Di Bernardo, who teaches at Aesthetics of London Inc. and is a part-time demonstrator for L'Oreal cosmetics.

Applying cosmetics in summer should be quick and easy, taking no more than 10 minutes, she says.

And with the matte look popular this summer for lips and eyes, makeup should last the whole day.

For those who want to have the look of a tan without the damage the sun can cause to the skin, there are now many tinted moisturizers, some of which contain a sunscreen.

Christine Rocchi, 3, in a contemplative mood, enjoys a summer day in a cotton outfit from Simpsons.

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Jewish jesters have audience howling

Capering clowns steal the scenes in musical hit

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Two Jewish capering clowns, one from Toronto and one from Manhattan, are the star scene-stealers of *Kismet*, the $2 million Broadway musical hit playing at the Royal Alexandra Theatre until Aug. 30.

Avery Saltzman, the 30-year-old Torontonian, has the audience howling at his slapstick portrayal of a scoundrelly stumblebum known as the Police Wazir of Baghdad.

Judy Kaye, a 35-year-old New Yorker, then doubles them up with laughter as she slinks and struts and sways across the stage in her role as the Wazir's sexpot wife, Lalume.

Here are stray notes resulting from interviews with the pair of Jewish jesters.

What influenced them to become comic performers?

Saltzman, the son of parents with a great sense of humor, Pearl and George Saltzman, who operate the wholesale firm of Marketing Action Ltd. with his two brothers Mark and Laurin, played his first comic role at the age of 11.

"I hammed it up as a mad, off-the-wall preacher who sermonizes to Little Bo Peep, in a play at Dufferin Heights Junior High," he says. "I was crazy about the physical shtik that brought laughs in Marx Brothers' comedies. So, when I got laughs by imitating their physical, horseplay kind of comedy, I was hooked for life."

Kaye, a pediatrician's daughter originally from Phoenix, Ariz., "where I was the class clown at Central High," was inspired to become a comedy professional at 13, when she first saw Barbra Streisand perform in *Funny Girl*.

"I saw her in the stage production, which was much funnier than the movie version," she recalls. "And I thought to myself, 'I can do that, too!'

"There was one handicap that held me back from becoming a comedienne who can sing. It was this crazy voice of mine — I sang tenor, even in grade school. Well, I plugged away, and now I can sing comic roles in a range from alto to high soprano. You've got to be versatile in this business.

What makes their roles funny?

Saltzman plays up the weaknesses of the Wazir.

"He's a nebbish with the IQ of a pencil, henpecked by his voracious, man-devouring wife," he says. "She's had sex with every man in the palace — her own male harem, so to speak — without the Police Wazir knowing it.

"He's a thimble-headed rogue, who got his job by pull, and in his insecurity he leans on everybody. He doesn't hesitate to kill his own father. And so I can have fun burlesquing his own death, when the rascal is drowned in a pool of water. I merely show his hands doing a kind of pantomime ballet.

"The Globe and Mail theatre critic called it a 'Chaplinesque masterpiece of clowning.' I'm proud of that."

Kaye rather liked The CJN reviewer's phrase, praising her portrayal of a hoydenish character who "outslinks Mae West and sways and dips more sinuously than the most majestic dromedary of Baghdad."

She said with a laugh: "In other words, I'm being called a camel, right? My first reaction was: 'One hump? Or two?' "

Avery Saltzman plays the nincompoop Police Wazir and Judy Kaye his sexpot wife Lalume in Kismet at the Royal Alexandra Theatre. Both have won plaudits as scene-stealing clowns.

She plays Lalume as an aggressive, 20th-century feminist in the wrong century.

"She's bored with her husband and all the other men in the palace because they're not her intellectual equal," she says. "She's looking for a fresh challenge, and she finds it in Hajj, the charming con artist, poet, and storyteller.

"The script has her say: 'I was always attracted to scoundrels.' And his wit is a most attractive aphrodisiac. As the modern saying goes: 'With humor, you can laugh a woman into bed faster than with any other device.' "

How has Jewish humor contributed to their comic spirit?

Says Saltzman: "Jewish humor is a mixture of pessimism and optimism, a blend of Tevya, Mel Brooks, Woody Allen and Rodney Dangerfield, with a jigger of Job from the Bible. It's taught us to laugh at ourselves and the world as a defence mechanism against the miseries — and it works."

Says Kaye: "I say amen to that. Jewish humor is our natural birthright, an essential part of our support system against the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune. And what can be healthier than making people laugh at the human comedy?"

Levy follows exploits of band of partisans

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

If Not Now, When? By Primo Levi. Summit Books, $24.95.

In recent years at least five books by Primo Levy have been translated into English from the Italian. A chemist by trade and a survivor of Auschwitz, he is widely acclaimed as a writer of unusual power and originality.

An assimilated Jew in Fascist Italy, with little knowledge of his religious antecedents or culture, Levi was arrested as a member of the anti-Fascist resistance in 1944 and deported to Auschwitz. Of the more than 650 persons in his transport, only 20 survived.

Providentially, on the eve of the Russian liberation of the camp Levi contracted scarlet fever and was confined to the infirmary. This illness saved his life. Few of the 20,000 camp inmates who were quickly evacuated by the Nazis survived the terrible death march that followed.

Survival in Auschwitz (1949), Levi's first book, is a detailed depiction of his 10 months as a prisoner in the infamous concentration camp. It is a psychological and sociological study of daily life under the most harrowing conditions and how adaptation to a lunatic world became possible and necessary. It is at the same time an elegantly constructed study and related without self-pity or melodrama.

In this, and in other of his novels, Levi displays a wry, mocking wit. He has the knack of seeing the comical and bizarre in even the worst of circumstances, the desire to emphasize that even amid scenes of horror and degradation it is possible to retain some semblance of human dignity and freedom of choice.

If Not Now, When? is a novel, based on a true account, of a band of Eastern European partisans who are fighting the German army toward the end of the war. As they make their way across Poland the partisans clash with similar, but hostile, Russian and Polish groups and engage in various acts of sabotage. At last, their adventure successfully completed, the weary and bedraggled partisans are welcomed in Italy as they prepare to board a ship for Palestine.

Basic to the narrative are the conflicting ideas and ideals that are espoused by articulate members of the band. These include a mishmash of Marxism, religious orthodoxy, Zionism, anarchism and mysticism.

Levi wants to portray in small compass some of the clashing ideologies of the larger society that will continue to bedevil the world.

The book ends on a portentous note: the birth of a child to a member of the group and the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima. Hope and new life are mingled with pessimism and death as a new adventure begins for the bemused survivors.

Levi spent a year studying the background and genius of "Yiddish civilization" in order to depict his characters with fidelity and authenticity. He is only partly successful. The shadings and nuances of Eastern European Jewish life and thought are not so easily gleaned.

Suspenseful, exhilirating, often mordant and humorous, this is Levi's tribute to the fortitude and indomitability of his Eastern Jewish brothers. This book won the distinguished Viareggio and Campiello prizes in Italy when it was first published there in 1982.

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Arts

Michael Rusinek

Clarinetist protege of Galper

Rusinek to solo with TSO at Forum

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

Last year, he won the International Clarinet Society Competition in Oberlin, Ohio. this will be Rusinek's first public concert with the Toronto Symphony. This summer he'll perform in Tanglewood for eight weeks and in the fall will tour Canada courtesy of Jeunesses Musicians.

Michael Rusinek, winner of the Toronto Symphony Youth Organization Concerto Competition, will be featured solo clarinetist with the Toronto Symphony and the Toronto Mendelssohn Choir under the baton of Andrew Davis at the Ontario Place Forum Aug. 7-8 at 8.30 p.m.

Rusinek is the protege student of leading Canadian clarinetist Avraham Galper. He was the first winner of the Avraham Galper Clarinet Scholarship.

The program itself, entitled Last Night at the Proms, promises to be impressive. Rusinek will perform Carl Maria von Weber's Fantasia and Rondo for Clarinet and Strings.

Of special interest to our readership should be Handel's Coronation Anthem No. 1: Zadok the Priest, and Sir Edward Elgar's Jerusalem.

Of course, there will also be Pomp and Circumstance and Rule Britannia. This will be the last TSO regular concert before their European tour.

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The annual Yom Ha'atzmaut diplomatic reception at Beth Tzedec was charmed by the capable piano performance of Toronto's Gordon Steinberg. He was there thanks to the recommendation of Meri Saguy, wife of Israel Consul-General Gideon Saguy, who had heard him at a charity reception for the Akim Foundation.

Steinberg himself has performed his own composition Variations and Fughetta, which he describes as a keyboard work in a chiefly baroque-rocco idiom. His Six Dreams for Flute and Piano contain some jazz influence. Steinberg, an admirer of Vladimir Ashkenazy, concentrates on the romantics in his standard repertoir.

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It isn't out of lack of effort that several current Israeli pop stars have not given Toronto concerts.

Local private entrepreneurs with credible track records made valiant efforts to recently bring in these performers who undoubtedly would have attracted large audiences here. Business wrangles with the various performers' agents however frustrated these efforts.

This is where the CZF, which successfully brought David Broza here twice this past year, could play a greater role. For the CZF to regularly produce cross-North American tours of current Israeli pop stars or at the very least to act as the booking agent for these performers would be a great service to all concerned.

Benefiting would be the performers who need the North American market and the often college-age audiences to whom exposure to Israeli contemporary music is one of the most proven ways to reinforce a sense of Jewish identity.

Both times Broza appeared here, as well as when Chava Alberstein appeared at the JCC last December under organizational auspices, the audience response was wildly enthusiastic.

Such concerts fulfil a valuable role in creating a sense of Jewish pride: a role which the CZF should augment.

Big Trouble recalls old Saturday matinees

TORONTO —

As you watch *Big Trouble in Little China*, John Carpenter's latest film, you're reminded of yesteryear's Saturday matinee.

The matinees I can remember were charged with dark intimations of intrigue and filled with mock heroic and satanically evil characters that only a fertile imagination could conjure up.

The sets, as I recall them, were a mix of the futuristic and the baroque.

The story lines may have been predictable, but they were enlivening.

Big Trouble in Little China, now playing at Famous Players theatres, has obviously been influenced by these grade B movies. But it doesn't measure up to the old masters.

It takes place in San Francisco's Chinatown, or more precisely, beneath that teeming, colorful neighborhood, in dank sewers and secret caverns.

The film draws heavily on black magic, sorcery and the occult, and the line between reality and fantasy is often blurred.

To enjoy Big Trouble in Little China, no mean task, you have to suspend your critical faculties for about 2 hours.

The plot is convoluted, but basically it's about two friends, one an ethnic Chinese and the other an Anglo, who try to find a beautiful, green-eyed woman who has been kidnapped by a bunch of rogues in league with a 2,000-year-old man.

In hot pursuit of their quarry, Jack Burton (Kurt Russell) and Wang Chi (Dennis Dun) run into fierce opposition. They are shot at and bounced against walls and, in general, abused by callow toughs with bulging muscles and gaping mouths.

Children may appreciate the antics, but thinking adults will probably blanch.

Big Trouble in Little China is sophomoric at best and it takes tremendous patience and forebearance to sit through it.

You wonder if even the kids would like it. – S.K.

Comedy has sombre note but well worth seeing

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Nothing In Common brings you down to earth.

Now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, this is an empathetic film expressly made for those under 45 who assume, incorrectly, that the pursuit of success can be achieved painlessly.

Parents decide to split

Expertly directed by Garry Marshall, Nothing In Common concerns a hotshot advertising executive, David Basner (Tom Hanks), who suddenly is forced to come to terms with his parents' separation.

The news comes as a jolt to David, a bright, cheery man, and it ultimately affects his work.

He gets it one night while he is performing acrobatics in bed with his latest female conquest. It is an inconvenient piece of news, given David's general disinterest in his family.

David is totally immersed in his job in a Chicago ad agency, and the last thing he wants to be concerned with are the marital problems of his parents, played by Jackie Gleason and Eva Marie Saint.

After 36 years, his mother has walked out, fed up with her husband's infidelities and his lack of interest in their home. Mother manages well in her new apartment, but father wallows in his misery and incompetence. To make matters worse, he loses his job as a garment salesman.

Duty bound to help him, David gradually gets to know the father he never knew, the father he always disliked. And, in the process, he decides that family is more important than an account that can cap his career.

Despite the sombre story line, Nothing In Common is a comedy, and a good one at that. Tom Hanks, who distinguished himself in *The Money Pit*, is an excellent comic whose timing and whose gestures mark him as one of Hollywood's emerging stars.

Looking aged and haggard, Gleason does not falter for a second as he turns in a wonderful performance. Saint is very good as well.

Nothing In Common is worth seeing and worth pondering over.

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"It's great to be a child making grownups laugh"

Noisemaker's funky sounds provide fountain of fun

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Just as most tragedians covet the role of Falstaff, so do comics usually yearn to play Hamlet.

But not Ron Rubin, who is content to be a 1-man sound effects record of funny noises.

The Winnipeg-born Jewish actor-comedian is capable of mimicking at least 50 characters and more than 100 weird and wonderful sound effects within the span of a half hour.

His repertoire ranges from Marlon Brando to Clint Eastwood, and from the whizz and splat of poison arrows to the bubble and drip of a coffee pot.

Just a fraction of his thesaurus of funky sounds had audiences laughing uproariously at *Three Guys Naked From The Waist Down*, the Off-Broadway musical about standup comics, which recently closed at Toronto Free Theatre.

Rubin emerged as the star of the show with his portrayal of a zany character, who is part Robin Williams, part Harpo Marx, and altogether a perpetual Peter Pan.

"Part of me is very much like that character — a guy being paid not to grow up," said Rubin in an interview at The CJN newsroom. "It's great to be a child making grownups laugh."

He's 27, with a round face that's freckled and moony and mobile, and says he's been described as a skinnier version of John Belushi.

But though he's a graduate of Toronto's Second City and Yuk Yuk's Komedy Kabaret, and he's worked at New York's Catch A Rising Star and Improvisation Club, Rubin is unlike most standup comics in several ways.

Offstage, he's quiet-voiced and thoughtful rather than manic, and says, "I have no ego-driven compulsion to be 'on' all the time."

Furthermore, he confided, "I'm probably most unusual in the sense that I don't come from a poor ghetto environment, like most Jewish comics.

"I come from a loving Jewish family in a well-to-do south Winnipeg home. I even have a BA degree in psychology, sociology and economics from the University of Manitoba.

"What could be more uncomedic than that?" he asked rhetorically, rolling his baby-blue eyes.

He believes he inherited some of the gentle, dry wit of his father, Dr. Jack Rubin, a Winnipeg ear, nose and throat specialist, and the extroverted, bubbly temperament of his mother, Clairice.

He developed an ambition to become a comedian as a result of playing over and over again the *You Don't Have To Be Jewish* comic record album, featuring Myron Cohen and Lou Jacobi, doing their Yiddish shtik.

"At Ramah Hebrew School, I got into a lot of trouble for trying out goofy sound effects in the classroom," he recalls. "But I also got a lot of satisfaction from making the kids laugh."

Later, on the campus radio station, CJUM, he and a college buddy, Josh Morantz, wrote and performed a biweekly half-hour show, *The Continuing Adventures Of Rex Hard*.

Ron Rubin

It was a lampoon of all the hardboiled private eye characters, in which Rubin would snarl such malapropisms as, "What's a rundown girl like you doin' in a beautiful dump like this?"

Inevitably, he recalls, that line would be followed by the cliche response, "She gave me a look I could pour on my waffle."

The success of the program prompted Rubin to found a comedy troupe, The Token Joke Players, which toured across Western Canada, and eventually in 1982, to try to make a name for himself in Toronto.

He has since achieved that goal handsomely, especially in voicing loony sound effects for commercials, which pay from $2,000 to $10,000 in residuals.

His Water-Pick TV commercial alone — a loony symphony of dentist drill noises — has become a classic in the industry, which has won awards in Toronto and New York and Cannes.

Rubin is currently writing a 1-man comedy show for himself. He aspires to be a Broadway and Hollywood comedy star one day. And he says, "I'm so busy, I don't even have time to find myself a nice, steady Jewish girlfriend."

He says he gets a great kick from what he's doing now. "It's nice to get applause," he says. "But it's nicer to give of your talents fully and give people a good time."

People want escapism

Dream peddler seeks scripts

TORONTO —

Lili Fournier is a hazel-eyed, auburn-haired Jewish beauty with lots of brains and showbiz savvy who calls herself "a packager of dreams."

More precisely, she's the partner of a new Toronto film production company called Fournier/Hadley Inc., and she's looking for scripts by Toronto writers.

If your screenplay is found acceptable, she promises it will be developed into a commercial property, and she says it will be produced by a reputable Los Angeles corporation at a minimum cost of $3 million U.S.

And Fournier, a Romanian-born Israeli in her 30s (named Weiszner before she married Toronto real estate sales agent Gerard Fournier), has the credentials to back up her search for marketable celluloid dreams.

First of all, there's her partner, Michael Hadley, a 34-year-old, Ottawa-born, former CBC TV executive, who has stacked up considerable show business experience.

He's currently associate producer of *Check It Out* sitcome series, syndicated on CTV and in the U.S. and starring Don (Get Smart) Adams. Previously,

Lili Fournier

he's been distribution manager of several made-in-Canada feature films, most notably *Running*, starring Michael Douglas, and *Middle-Age Crazy*, starring Ann-Margaret and Bruce Dern.

Fournier herself, a former lifestyle columnist for The Toronto Sun and operator of the New York-style Lili's Gourmet Delights shop on Yonge at Eglinton, estimates she's had 10 years of experience in the film business.

Among other projects, she was associate director of *Pygmalion*, a 2-hour First Choice and 20th Century Fox film, starring Peter O'Toole and Margot Kidder, and script supervisor of *Case Of Libel*, starring Ed Asner.

What sort of scripts is she seeking?

"The hottest items in the industry today are space, adventure and comedy films — the sort of escapist stuff geared for the teenage market," she said in a CJN interview recently, after wheeling and dealing for two weeks with distributors in Los Angeles.

"Some people claim the newest trend is for family entertainment movies, as a result of the popularity of the Cosby TV series. But my guess is that they really want more Steven Spielbergish, comic-strip escapism. After all, the chief moviegoers today are young people between 16 and 25.

"I went to see a movie the other day," she sighed, "and I didn't see a soul in the theatre older than 30."

Though she's on the prowl for lightweight, purely commercial entertainment, she confided wistfully that she recently completed her first screenplay and it's very heavy stuff. Titled *Destiny*, it deals with three generations of a Jewish family and how their lives have been affected by the Holocaust.

"A friend of mine at Warner Brothers read it and raved about it on the phone, 'Lili, it's dynamite! Terrific! Sensational!'

"I cut in: 'You mean it's not commercial enough and you've turned it down?'

"He agreed: 'Yeah, who can forget their troubles nowadays by going to a Holocaust film?'

"I comfort myself by thinking it took them 10 years to decide to make *Sophie's Choice*, a Holocaust film that paid off because it starred Meryl Streep. So maybe there's hope for my Holocaust saga 10 years from now."

Meanwhile, Fournier says she and her partner have made a deal with a U.S. entertainment distributor, eager to produce movies-of-the-week for pay TV.

She urges writers to contact her at 165 Lascelles Blvd. (416) 482-0054, and she promises to read every script submitted. F.R.

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Arts

Daryn Dewalt and Bruce McFee in Gorilla, the first act of Late Night Primate now at the Bathurst Street Theatre until Aug. 9.

Solo acts highlight Late Night Primate

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —
Late Night Primate (playing until Aug. 9 at the Bathurst Street Theatre, 736 Bathurst, 533-1161) is an erratically funny mishmash of primitive and sophisticated wit.

Its oddball brand of satire, presented by Entertainment Strategists and Another Stage Productions, is designed to amuse theatregoers with a special interest in avant garde comedy.

This theatregoer was most amused by the solo comedy acts of two Toronto satirists.

The evening's emcee is Marla Lukofsky, a lovable plump dumpling of a comedienne. She introduces herself by quipping that she originally looked into the mirror when she was a little girl in North York and deciding, "With a big nose like mine, the only career path open to me is comedy."

She is exceptionally funny when doing a takeoff of the Supremes as a Motown singing team without Diana Ross ("Doowah, Doowah, Doowah, Baby, Baby, Baby"). And she's a howl when voicing in a single skit all the characters in *The Wizard Of Oz*.

Sky Gilbert, a poet with the magnetic voice of a Dylan Thomas and the whimsical wit of a Woody Allen, is likewise a standout. The verses he recites, especially about Lana Turner and Lloyd Nolan posturing in old movies, are uproarious.

Regrettably, the same can not be said of Fred's Bicycle Repair Shop, the omnibus name of a troupe of five male comics from Hamilton. Their attempts to parody life in the fast lane of corporate executives reminded me of a bunch of adolescents horsing around the schoolyard during recess.

Gorilla, a half-hour of satirical playlet by Chicago comedy writer Shel Silverstein, was similarly disappointing. Its basic premise had potential: a waiter, escaping from the pressures of modern society, goes ape and masquerades as a gorilla in Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo.

The script elicits a few mordant laughs by contrasting the vulgarities of humans and animals. Unfortunately, though, in doing so, it resorts to a stream of continuously smutty language that ultimately becomes tedious.

Nevertheless, despite the unevenness of the evening's entertainment, it's refreshing to have an adventuresome troupe like this around willing to experiment in theatre of the absurd.

Tension of political intrigue

Salvador's drama poignant

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —
El Salvador is a country in the throes of revolution. In this Third World nation, where hardly a day passes without a politically-motivated killing, human rights violations are rampant.

Oliver Stone, an independent director, has made a powerful film about the tragedy of El Salvador, now playing at Canada Square. *Salvador* is not only a poignant human drama, but a lacerating indictment of U.S. foreign policy in Central America.

Based on actual events between 1980-1981, Salvador turns on the real-life personality of Richard Boyle (James Woods), a hard-drinking, philandering, funny, kind photo journalist who went to El Salvador to save his declining career.

When the film opens, Boyle, his Italian wife and their infant child are about to be evicted from their San Francisco apartment. Boyle, having fallen on hard times, is in arrears of his rent, and he does not have a penny to his name. His wife, unable to take the pressure, disappears, leaving in her wake an abandoned crib and a soiled diaper.

In desperation, he turns to an old friend, Dr. Rock (James Belushi), an unemployed disc jockey whose wife has just left him. Dr. Rock, the personification of pathetic vulgarity, is really in no condition to help Boyle. He is doubly distraught because Bagel, his beloved dog, has been put to sleep by the humane society.

Before we know it, the pair are driving south in a battered red convertible, heading to El Salvador. Boyle hopes to redeem himself by selling graphic photographs to American wire agencies and magazines. The aimless Dr. Rock is just along for the ride, somewhat impressed by Boyle's promise of cheap sex and drugs in San Salvador.

Neither man, particularly Dr. Rock, is really prepared for the mean, random violence they encounter in El Salvador, a land on the edge of anarchy. El Salvador, rent by deep-seated political and economic disputes pitting an impoverished peasantry against an avaricious ruling elite, is near the boiling point.

El Salvador is being torn apart by a vicious, insidious struggle between leftist guerrillas and right-wing death squads. The U.S., the final arbiter of Salvadoran politics, is seen, not without some justification, as tolerating its inexcusable excesses.

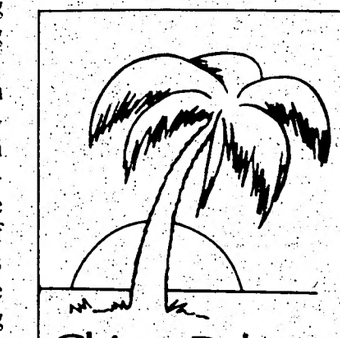
Boyle, played to perfection by Woods, gets caught up in the maelstrom. He has only contempt for the rightist politicians who want to take over El Salvador at all costs. He especially dislikes the evil Major Max, who rants on about a "Communist-Zionist conspiracy." And he has no respect whatsoever for the shallow American colonel attached to the U.S. embassy who equates progress with Communism. The U.S. ambassador (Michael Kelly) operates on a much higher level of sophistication, but he, too, is a captive of a frozen and simplistic world-view.

Woods, in Salvador, is amazingly transformed. In his last film, *Joshua Then and Now*, set in Montreal and environs, he portrayed a Jewish novelist cum-journalist embroiled in an incipient scandal. Here, in his best ever performance, Woods is a freewheeling, free-loading, profane and stupidly courageous photographer-writer who almost gets killed by a bunch of vulgar goons.

The constant violence in Salvador, while hardly pleasant, is not gratuitous, but a reflection of a terrible situation that is bound to deteriorate in the years ahead.

Salvador, shot in Mexico, imparts a sense of palpable fear as one atrocity follows the next. Not since *Z*, that superb film of the late 1960s by Costas-Gravas, has a director captured the tension of political intrigue so well. No mainstream Hollywood studio would have had the guts to make a film like this, and so it comes as no surprise that Oliver Stone, the scriptwriter of *Midnight Express*, made Salvador without their assistance.

It isn't often that you are privileged to see a film with as much integrity, depth and intelligence as Salvador. It is a memorable movie, and it leaves you wishing for a sequel.



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Travel

Lots to do, see in Texas

Good ol' boys drum up business for Lone Star state

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

Here's a question that somehow never made it into Trivial Pursuit.

What do John Wayne, J.R. Ewing, the Rangers, the Astrodome, America's Team, Longhorn cattle, Buddy Holly, cowboys and the Alamo have in common?

Shucks son, the answer's as plain as the nose on your face or the beef on your plate: it's Texas, the Lone Star State.

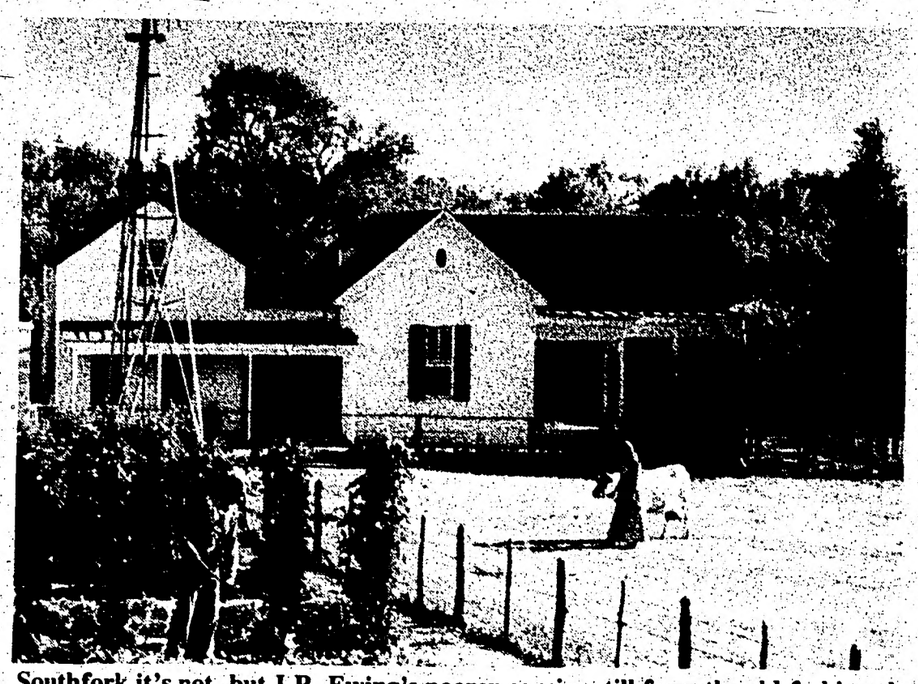
With the oil business in the doldrums thanks to dropping prices for the black gold, Texas tea (with apologies to the Beverly Hillbillies), the government has sent out emissaries, men of goodwill — good ol' boys — to drum up some tourist business for the great state of Texas.

In fact, say Murrell Foster and Bob Conwell, at $3 billion per year, tourism is the second largest industry in Texas, with only California and Florida getting as many visitors each year. The reason is simple: Texas has a little of everything, and friendly folks to boot.

Whether you're a businessman/woman traveling south for a convention or just interested in a place where you can relax on a sandy beach and take in water sports, Texas has it.

Conwell, president of the Corpus Christi Convention and Tourist Bureau, says there are 100 miles of continuous sandy beaches from the Gulf city to the Mexican border.

"Our lure," he says, "is that in the winter when it's cold (in Canada) our average mean temperature is 60F." In fact, last winter Corpus Christi (and the great state of Texas) hosted more visitors from Ontario than from any U.S. state.



Southfork it's not, but J.R. Ewing's poorer cousins still farm the old-fashioned way in this operational 19th century family farm near Fredericksburg, west of Austin.

In Dallas the situation is somewhat different, says Foster, director of visitor development for the Dallas Convention & Visitor Bureau. Being somewhat north of Corpus Christi, the winters aren't as mild. Dallas' main attraction is as a convention centre, he says, ranking 3rd in the U.S. behind New York and Chicago.

With many commercial and financial businesses making Dallas their homes — Canadian-based developer Cadillac-Fairview is active in Dallas — the city is the centre for numerous conventions, conferences and meetings.

When visitors aren't busy doing business, there are a number of sights to be seen. Two of the most frequently visited have been made popular through television. Quiz question number 2: what are they?

If you guessed the sprawling Ewing homestead of Dallas fame — Southfork Ranch — give yourself 10 points. Second in popularity, perhaps out of a morbid curiosity, is a memorial on the site where President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in November 1963.

Not far from downtown Dallas in Arlington is Six Flags Over Texas, the second oldest theme park in the U.S. Like Disneyland (the oldest theme park), Six Flags offers numerous rides, shows and lots of home-style cooking that'll stick to your ribs.

Large Jewish community

Dallas, with a Jewish population estimated by Foster at about 100,000, has synagogues for all branches of Judaism, a large community centre and a Holocaust museum.

This year, the people of Texas are really putting out the welcome mat. They're celebrating the state's sesquicentennial — 150 years of independence from Mexico — with a whole passel of events. (After almost 10 years of independence as an autonomous republic beginning in 1836, Texas joined the union in 1845.)

Stretching north and west from San Antonio, which is about 150 miles northwest of Corpus Christi, is the green and verdant Texas Hill Country, home of a number of dude ranches where tourists who fancy themselves pioneers can relive earlier times.

North of the state capital, Austin, in "the heart of Texas," is Waco, made famous by many a Hollywood horse opera movie. At Fort Fisher, alongside the Brazos River, is a museum that illustrates the exploits of one of the world's best known law enforcement units: the Texas Rangers.

Visitors to Amarillo in the Texas panhandle can tour the world's largest cattle auction and a short drive away in Tom Christian's Figure 3 Ranch, guests can enjoy a cowboy breakfast cooked over an open fire next to an old-fashioned chuckwagon.

For the less adventurous, Dallas offers a wide assortment of cultural activities like ballet, opera and theatre, while in Corpus Christi, a visitor might be forgiven for thinking he's in a seaside resort in California or Florida.

Located on the same parallel as Tampa, the Gulf city of 260,000 offers deep-sea fishing, sailing, golf, tennis and beach-loafing for most of the year. Nearby is the massive King Ranch, 835,000 acres, home to many a longhorn and quarter-horse.

What makes Corpus Christi more attractive than its Florida and California cousins is "it's a lot less expensive," says Conwell. A variety of rental accommodation is available in the city and along the coast, he adds, and flights down come from Toronto via Dallas on Air Canada three times per week and on American Airlines twice weekly.

A final quiz question: what do Texans love to eat most? How about a heaping bowl of "red" — chili, that is. In fact, they like it so much, they've made it the state dish.

With everyone thinking they've got the definitive recipe, the result has been innumerable chili-cooking competitions, including the World Championship Chili Cookoff each November.

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Recently, I arrived by plane from Vienna with about five hours to kill before the scheduled departure of my British Airways flight to Toronto.

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I chose not to do any of these things.

After all, how often do you get an opportunity to see London for only the price of two subway tickets?

From Heathrow, the Piccadilly line runs straight into central London. Before you've recovered your wits, you've reached your stop — Piccadilly Circus.

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Well, there I was, fresh from Vienna and bound for Canada, in the heart of the pulsating British capital. I was not dreaming.

The familiar sights I knew as a student here in 1969 and 1970 now stared me in the face. To my left, Regent St., that wondrous shopping thoroughfare. To my right, Shaftesbury Ave., the theatre district encompassing Soho, the charming, slightly disreputable bohemian district which grows on you. Around the corner, Piccadilly, the stately street of fine shops and private men's clubs.

Thrilling sights galore around Piccadilly Circus

And there, again, were the bright red double-decker buses and the black, awkwardly-shaped taxi cabs. And, at a newsstand at the foot of the underground, I could not but help notice the amazing variety of London dailies, which range from the sober to the outrageous.

Since I had only a few hours to reaquaint myself with London, I headed up Regent St., passing some of its great department stores, to Oxford St., the ultimate shopping bazaar.

There was no time to browse seriously, but I quickly realized that London is considerably more expensive this year than in the past.

From Oxford St., I wandered into Soho, which is a little dingy but absolutely beautiful. Within its parameters, Soho probably has the finest collections of ethnic restaurants in London, particularly Italian ones. And its outdoor fruit and vegetable market, centred around Berwick St., evokes color and excitement.

Soho's famous strip joints, somnolent in the early afternoon, spring to life at night.

The pubs in Soho are no better and no worse than anywhere else in London, which is to say that they are excellent.

From Soho, I walked to Leicester Square, the hub of London's entertainment district. As usual, it was full of life.

And from there, after pausing for an egg and onion sandwich, I went to Trafalgar Square, dominated by the National Gallery.

A brisk walk took me to Westminster, the mother of parliaments. Back to Piccadilly Circus by subway, and then by foot to Fortnum & Mason, the fabulous food emporium which attracts gourmets and gourmands alike.

It was worth exploring nearby Jermyn St., if only to spend several minutes in Paxton and Whitefield, a shop which sells 300 kinds of cheeses.

By now, I was tired. But I had enough energy to walk to the Burlington Arcade, an architectural marvel, and Bond St., which is nothing if not ultra chic.

The clock was ticking away. I found myself in Green Park, an oasis of manicured lawns and well-trimmed trees and bushes. I rested for a bit, basking in the warm sunshine.

I bid London adieu as I got on the subway back to Heathrow. London, even for so short a time, was wonderful and exhilarating. And I had seen London, or some important parts of it, for only about $5.

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Baine, Max on July 8, 1986, late of 71 DeQuincy Blvd.

Cohen, Yetta on July 12, 1986, late of 8 Kingsbridge Ct., #104.

Coopersmith, Roman on July 10, 1986, late of 14 Marathon Cres.

Doverson, Joe on July 9, 1986, late of 292 Finch Ave. W., #203.

Marcus, Gertrude on July 8, 1986, late of 18 Cedarcroft Blvd., #708.

Nowensky, Brian on July 12, 1986, late of 131 Clements St., Ajax.

Rockfield, Charles on July 11, 1986, late of 660 Briar Hill Ave., #709.

Rose, Florence on July 9, 1986, late of 70 Allview Cres.

Weinstock, Sylvia on July 12, 1986, late of 20 Lowesmore Ave.

Weiszhaus, Elemer on July 7, 1986, late of 120 Shelborne Ave., #401.

White, George on July 12, 1986, late of 186 Crocus Dr.

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KARDONNE: Baby boy Gil Meir Kardonne, son of Rick and Eda, died at birth on the 8th of July, 1986. May he rest in peace.

UNVEILING

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Sam Birn** will take place on Thursday, July 31, 1986 at 12:00 noon at Dawses Road Cemetery, Radomer Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

OBITUARIES

Smith, Frieda on 7/4/86, late of 2000 Islington Ave., Weston, Ontario.

Udell, Sonya on 7/5/86, late of 4455 Bathurst St., Toronto.

Wineberg, Jacob on 7/5/86, late of 150 Locksley Ave., Toronto.

Berns, Harry on 7/7/86, late of 17 Farmstead Rd., #1601, Toronto.

Putter, Henryk on 7/7/86, late of 569 Sheppard Ave. W., #1102, Downsview.

Helfant, Kalman on 7/8/86, late of 48 Main St. South, #4, Georgetown.

Zack, Hyman on 7/8/86, late of 65 Spring garden Ave., #510 North York M2N 6H9.

Budman, Albert on 7/9/86, late of Unknown.

Asher, Meir on 7/9/86, late of 1828 Bathurst St., Toronto.

Lofsky, Saul on 7/8/86, late of 80 Antibes Dr.,m #1805, Toronto.

Myers, Minnie on 7/9/86, late of Cheltenham Nursing Home, Toronto.

Longert, Harry on 7/10/86, late of 93 Allingham Gardens, Downsview M3H 1X9.

Fishman, Ray on 7/10/86, late of 120 Shelbourne Ave., #805, Toronto M6B 2M7.

Starkman, Paul on 6/22/86, late of 44 Charles St. W., 1811, Toronto.

Slabodkin, Dora on 6/28/86, late of St. Raphaels Nursing Home, Toronto.

Gordon, Charles on 6/29/86, late of 164 Cocksfield Ave., Downsview.

Rosenbluth, Sol on 6/27/86, late of 280 North West 89th Ave., Coral Spring, Fla.

Finberg, Norman on 6/29/86, late of 195 Vaughan Rd., Toronto.

Morrison, Gertrude on 6/30/86, late of 2121 Bathurst St., #718, Toronto.

Mandel, William on 6/30/86, late of 133 Torresdale Ave., #2401, Willowdale M2R 3T2.

Kendall, Maxwell on 6/29/86, lte of Glenwood Retirement Home, Toronto.

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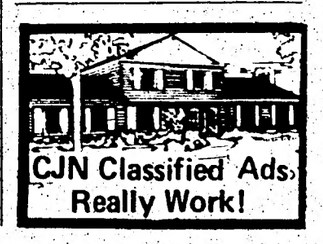

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More Canadians at poverty level

Number of poor increases

OTTAWA –
An estimated 4.2 million Canadians — one in six — lived on incomes considered by the National Council of Welfare to be at or below the poverty line for 1984.

That figure represents an increase of 739,000 over the 1980 totals, says a report issued recently by the advisory organization. The number of low-income families living in poverty has risen steadily during the past six years, the report states, with more than 1.2 million children under 16 living in low income families — a 35% increase since 1980.

According to Council criteria, low income cutoffs (the poverty line) is defined as a level where, on average, 58.5% of income goes towards the essentials of life. The average Canadian family spend 38.5% of their incomes on necessities such as food, clothing and shelter.

The Council's criteria for setting poverty lines differs (usually exceeds) those set by Statistics Canada, though the report notes "poverty lines only establish the upper limit of the low-income population. Most poor Canadians live on incomes that are hundreds and more often thousands of dollars under the poverty line."

The report notes that while upper income families spend more in absolute terms on the essentials of life, in relative terms, lower income people spent a larger percentage of income on the basics.

Of the millions of low-income families, six in 10 live in cities of 30,000 or more, with the minimum threshold to avoid the poverty designation increasing as the city population increases. A family of four, living in a city of 500,000 or more, would have to earn more than $21,705 to avoid the poverty line, while in a city of under 30,000, the poverty line is set at $17,938 for the same family.

Almost half of unattached elderly Canadians (49.6% or 361,000) were considered poor, while 60% of women under age 65 who are single parents raise their children below the poverty line.

Of the single mothers living in poverty, 25% earn less than half of the income considered the minimum to avoid poverty.

Interestingly, in a discussion on the "depth of poverty," the report found that single women are not as impoverished as single men. Forty-eight percent of women live within 75-100% of the poverty line, while only 35% of men can make that claim.

Single mothers, by contrast, "are concentrated at the bottom of the income ladder — 25% live below half the poverty level and another 46% are from half to ¾ of the line."

The report cites the example of a single mother with one 2-year-old child living in Toronto. In 1985 she would have received $8,850 from provincial social assistance, federal family allowance and the child tax credit. That sum would leave her with "56% of the amount the Social Planning Council of Metropolitan Toronto considers necessary for her family to maintain 'an adequate but modest' standard of living."

The report notes that earning the adult minimum wage will still leave you below the poverty line. "A worker in Nova Scotia paid the provincial minimum wage ($4 an hour) will net $7,007 in 1986 from a full-time, year-round job. The poverty line ranges from an estimated $10,108 in Halifax to $7,870 for rural parts of the province."

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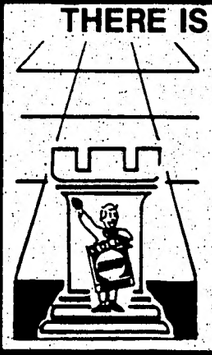

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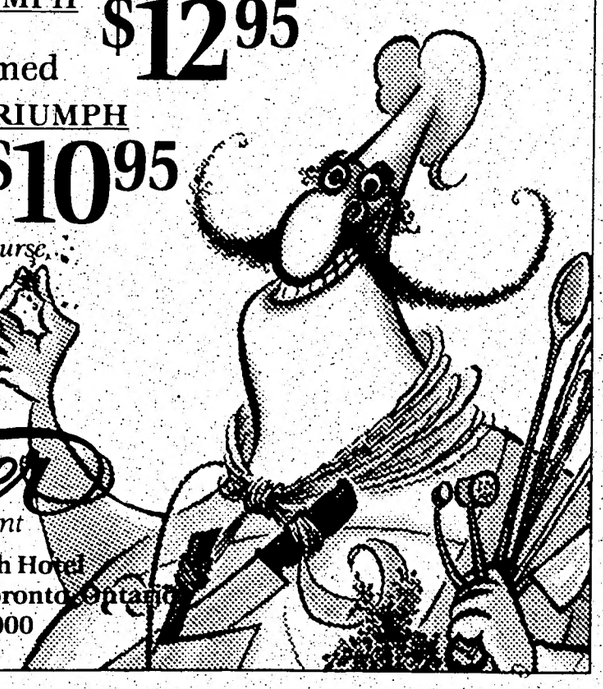

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Business Outlook

Govt. spending outstrips 938% tax rise since 61

VANCOUVER —
The tax bill for the average Canadian family has grown 938% since 1961, but that increase was outstripped by growth in government spending, according to a report released by the BC-based Fraser Institute.

"Governments have been able to increase expenditures in recent years while letting the average tax rate fall or be lower than it should because they have increasingly resorted to deficit financing — issuing bonds," the reports states.

Calculations by the conservative think tank show that for a time around 1975, tax rates stabilized because governments at all levels "began deferring taxes by issuing bonds to finance expenditures."

Taxes rose again between 1981-86, but the Institute concludes that the aggregate 1986 tax rate (which includes taxes actually levied and "deferred taxes") is 3.6% higher than the actual tax rates faced by Canadians. (That is because the Institute assumes bonds issued to cover deficits "are, in effect, deferred taxation since tax revenue must ultimately be raised to pay the interest and redeem the bonds.")

The Institute notes that taxes other than income taxes — everything from oil and motor vehicle taxes to amusement and property taxes — account for "a larger fraction of the total tax bill."

The report states that in 1984 the top 30% of families (those earning $37,000 or more) paid 62.7% of all taxes levied by governments.

In 1961, the Institute states, the average family had an income of $5,000 and faced a total tax bill of $1,675, but by the end of 1986 the average family will earn $33,500 and pay $17,393 to tax collectors at all three levels of government in the hidden and direct taxes — a 938% increase.

Taxes increased more sharply than an index of other financial burdens faced by the family — including shelter, food and clothing combined.

Recanati, sons leave IDB

as commission recommends

JERUSALEM (JTA) —
Rafael Recanati has resigned as managing director of the Israel Discount Bank, which the Recanati family has owned for 50 years. Resigning with him were his sons, Ehud and Leon Recanati, both directors of the bank, and Eli Cohen, one of its top executives.

His resignation and those of the chief officers of Israel's three other largest banks were recommended in the report released in May by a commission of inquiry headed by Supreme Court Justice Chaim Beisky. The commission, set up to investigate the 1983 bank shares scandal, held the heads of the major banks culpable for the collapse of bank stocks which touched off a financial panic. The heads of other banks resigned earlier.

The Discount Bank board of directors announced that he would be replaced by Yosef Ciechanover, former director-general of the foreign ministry and, more recently, head of the Israel Discount Bank's operations in the U.S. Ciechanover said he would make no public comments for the time being.

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Business Outlook

For doctors, dentists to purchase offices

"Creative banking" eliminates down payments

By PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

The management at Borat Investments have come up with a money-saving business idea they think is "revolutionary."

They're offering high income medical and dental practitioners the opportunity to *purchase* their offices, often with no downpayment up front.

They can do so, says Rick Pink, financial consultant with Borat, through the application of what he calls "creative banking." What Borat is offering is "a new idea based on an old premise."

Borat has recently completed a 9-storey edifice on Queen St E., east of Yonge, with offices geared for medical, dental and other professional practioners who want to *purchase* their own office condominium.

And, through a special arrangement, the Medi-Dent service of Citibank Leasing will advance for leasehold improvements 25% of the cost which normally goes as a downpayment.

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A second deduction is available for the business equipment, he adds, and it can be purchased back from Medi-Dent at the expiration of the lease at fair market value.

The lease and the purchaser will be fully insured, Crisp adds.

As a result, instead of putting up the full (25%) downpayment at once, the doctors, dentists and other medical professionals will be able to arrange a lease agreement with Medi-Dent to pay it back over a 5-7 year span, says Pink. Medi-Dent will, in turn, charge interest for the service, around prime plus 2-2½%, Crisp says.

There are other advantages to owning your place of business, Pink says. Interest payments for the mortgage are deductible as well and, instead of paying monthly payments for a lease, investors will be gradually building up their equity in their own business condominium.

Borat is offering this professional condominium purchase plan "to match and be more competitive" with other downtown buildings, Pink says.

In addition to the tax benefits, Pink says 61 Queen E. offers other attractions: it is located across the street from St. Michael's Hospital, it has the latest laboratory technology as well as a complete pharmacy on the main level.

Each office is air-conditioned and heated with a ventilation system that constantly adds fresh air.

There's even a deli on the main floor.

The suites themselves are available in two basic sizes, either 900 sq. ft (geared primarily for dentists, chiropractors and gynecologists), and 550 sq. ft., (for general practitioners and psychologists).

They're selling, on average, for about $160,000, says Crisp.

The switch to condos is expected to take place in late October, says Pink, and already 65% of the units are either sold or leased.

Borat is looking to the medical world for buyers, since most are in the 50% tax bracket, making them a less risky purchaser.

Construction on 61 Queen E. began last summer and was completed in April. Pink expects 75-80% occupancy by Sept. 1.

4,642 sales gives MLS best June ever

TORONTO —

June was the best June ever in the history of the Toronto Real Estate Board with MLS house sales totalling 4,642, up 4% over June 1985.

Sales, as well as the number of available properties, were down compared to May, reflecting the traditional summer slow-down in the MLS market, board president Nat Green said.

Green is confident the recent increase in interest rates is not yet at levels that significantly affect people's decision to become homebuyers.

"Nineteen eighty-six has been a remarkable year with residential MLS sales hitting 28,435 in the first six months of 1986, an increase of 26% over the same period last year," Green said.

Though prices have increased 33% since last year at this time, the increase over last month is only 2%. Green suggests "this may be an indication that the market is stabilizing, but it's too early to tell."

Green notes that 37% of buyers were able to find houses at prices under $110,000.

The median price for June was $122,400; an increase of 32.5% over last year's figure of $92,346, and up 2% from $120,000 in May.

IDB reports assets double

NEW YORK —

Israel Discount Bank of New York has just published its balance sheet as of June 30, 1986. Total assets reached $3.7 billion, total deposits were $3.4 billion and total capital funds $225 million.

Based on its year-end 1985 deposits, the bank was ranked as the 14th largest commercial bank in New York state and the 73rd largest in the United States by the American Banker.

Israel Discount Bank of New York is an American bank chartered by New York state and a member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The bank reports it has steadily increased its client base, both within the U.S. and abroad, by "consistently emphasizing a high degree of professionalism and personal service." During the last five years the bank's assets, deposits and capital have more than doubled.

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